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1 [There is no reportable action as a result of the
2 Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. IF I COULD ASK EVERYONE TO
7 -- IF I COULD ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE. TODAY, WE WILL BE
8 LED IN OUR INVOCATION BY MONSIGNOR JOHN MORETTA, FROM THE
9 RESURRECTION CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF
10 ALLEGIANCE BY RUBEN TREJO, COMMANDER OF CHAPTER 39, DISABLED
11 AMERICAN VETERANS. MONSIGNOR MORE MORETTA?

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13 **MONSIGNOR JOHN MORETTA:** THANK YOU. LET US PRAY. GOD THE FATHER
14 OF THE SON, YOU HAVE PLACED THE GOVERNANCE OF THIS BELOVED
15 COUNTY OF THE ANGELS IN THE HANDS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
16 PLEASE SEND YOUR GOOD ANGELS TO WATCH OVER THEM. LET THEM GIVE
17 HOPE TO THE HOPELESS AND POWER TO THE POWERLESS. AND THE
18 PEOPLE ANSWERED AMEN. GOD BLESS YOU ALL. THANK YOU.

19

20 **RUBEN TREJO:** WOULD YOU PLEASE JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF
21 ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE
22 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT
23 STANDS, ONE NATION, UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE AND WITH LIBERTY
24 AND JUSTICE FOR ALL. PUT YOUR HAND DOWN. SIT DOWN. SUPERVISOR
25 MOLINA?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES, SIR. OKAY. WELL, IT'S MY HONOR AGAIN TO
3 INTRODUCE AND TO THANK AND TO PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF
4 APPRECIATION TO MONSIGNOR JOHN MORETTA, A WONDERFUL FRIEND AND
5 TRULY AN ACTIVIST WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. HE HAS SERVED AS
6 PASTOR OF RESURRECTION CHURCH IN EAST L.A. FOR ALMOST 30
7 YEARS. THREE DECADES. DON'T PUSH IT? OKAY. [LAUGHTER.] TO HIS
8 PARISHIONERS AND CERTAINLY TO OUR COMMUNITY HE'S
9 AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS FATHER JOHN. AND THE CORE OF HIS
10 MINISTRY IS HIS BELIEF THAT ALL PEOPLE, OF COURSE, SHOULD BE
11 TREATED EQUALLY. SOCIAL JUSTICE IS FATHER JOHN'S HALLMARK, AS
12 MANY OF YOU KNOW, HE'S BEEN A DRIVING FORCE WHEN IT COMES TO
13 FIGHTING FOR THOSE WITHOUT A VOICE, SUCH AS THE LEADERSHIP TO
14 STOP THE PROPOSED POWER PLANT IN THE CITY OF VERNON AND TO
15 STOP THE PRISON IN THE EAST SIDE FROM BEING BUILT. FATHER JOHN
16 CONTINUES TO BE A MOTIVATIONAL ACTIVIST WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY,
17 BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY A COMPASSIONATE SPIRITUAL LEADER THAT
18 PROVIDES A LOT OF SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE TO MANY OF THE RESIDENTS
19 THROUGHOUT THE EAST SIDE. SO THANK YOU FOR JOINING US THIS
20 MORNING AGAIN. WE APPRECIATE IT. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, ONCE AGAIN TO
25 RECOGNIZE RUBEN TREJO, WHO CAME DOWN TODAY TO LEAD US IN THE



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1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. HE'S FROM OUR ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND IT'S
2 VERY APPROPRIATE THAT HE'S HERE WHERE THEY BUILD THE SPACE
3 SHUTTLES AND THAT TO HAVE OUR ASTRONAUT, BUZZ ALDRIN, HERE WHO
4 WAS ABLE TO MEET HIM. HE'S A MEMBER OF THE DISABLED AMERICAN
5 VETERANS CHAPTER 39. AND HE'S A COMMANDER, SERGEANT FIRST
6 CLASS UNITED STATES ARMY, THIRD INFANTRY REGIMENT IN KOREA.
7 AND AND HE IS A VETERANS COUNSELOR FOR OUR OWN COUNTY
8 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. MARRIED, WITH FOUR CHILDREN,
9 AND HE'S LIVED IN OUR DISTRICT FOR 62 YEARS. WANT TO GO FOR 38
10 MORE, RIGHT? [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, LET'S
13 PROCEED -- IS THERE AN ECHO? IS HIS MICROPHONE OFF, I HOPE?
14 LET'S BEGIN.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
17 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE
18 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ITEM 1-D.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY CHAIRMAN RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE
21 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
24 AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1-H THROUGH 5-H.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE
2 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK
5 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM 1-P.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
8 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 12. ON
11 ITEM NO. 4, THIS INCLUDES SUPERVISOR KNABE'S AMENDMENTS AS
12 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ALSO THERE IS A
13 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM NO. 4 WILL BE HELD.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 6, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
18 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO NOVEMBER 24,
19 2009.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 7, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
24 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO NOVEMBER 17,
25 2009.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ON ITEM NO. 8, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
5 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ALSO ON ITEM NO. 9,
6 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
7 ITEM.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
15 MOLINA. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT
16 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 14, CONSENT CALENDAR,
19 ITEMS 13 THROUGH 52. ON ITEM NO. 19, AS INDICATED ON THE
20 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
21 SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
22 NOVEMBER 17TH, 2009.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 20, AS INDICATED ON THE
2 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
3 SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
4 NOVEMBER 17TH, 2009.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 22, AS INDICATED ON THE
9 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES
10 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO NOVEMBER 17,
11 2009.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 23, THERE'S REQUESTS FROM
16 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 24, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS
21 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO NOVEMBER 17, 2009.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON NO. 25, THERE'S REQUESTS FROM A MEMBER
2 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 42, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS
7 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON ITEM 42? SO ORDERED. THAT'S ALSO --
10 OH, NEVER MIND.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 46, AS INDICATED ON THE
13 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT
14 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO NOVEMBER 24, 2009.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 50, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
19 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. ON ITEM 50?

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 50, YES. ON ITEM NO. 52, SUPERVISOR
24 YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO
25 NOVEMBER 24, 2009.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
5 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I ALSO, WELL I GUESS 54 WILL BE HELD
8 BECAUSE IT RELATES TO ITEM --

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I'LL READ THOSE IN IN JUST A MOMENT.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, THE CHAIR WILL MOVE
13 IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
14 ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON PAGE 30, SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEMS
17 53 AND 54. ON ITEM NO. 53, THIS IS THE TREASURER AND TAX
18 COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
19 ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE LITTLE LAKE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
20 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS ELECTION 2000 SERIES D IN THE
21 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$9 MILLION.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL MOVE THAT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
24 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 54, THIS IS THE TREASURER AND
2 TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
3 THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE REDONDO BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL
4 DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS 2008 ELECTION IN AN
5 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50 MILLION. AND ON
6 THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
7 HOLD THIS ITEM.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 31, DISCUSSION ITEMS. 55 AND 66, AND
12 ALSO FISCAL YEAR 2009-10 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION,
13 AGENDA ITEMS 57 THROUGH 60, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
14 AGENDA. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS
15 BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO NOVEMBER 17, 2009.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THOSE ITEMS WILL BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ON ITEM NO. 60, AS INDICATED ON THE
20 POSTED AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS
21 ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO NOVEMBER 24, 2009.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 33, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE
2 AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE
3 MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM 61-A.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 61-A, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
6 ANTONOVICH. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
7 ORDERED.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 61-B.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON 61-B, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
12 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
13 ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
16 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
17 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 4.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, YES?

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AYE VOTE ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR?

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** VOTES PRIOR TO HIS ARRIVAL.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** PRIOR TO 42.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PRESENTATIONS. BUT
3 I'M GOING TO ALLOW SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH TO MAKE A VERY
4 SPECIAL PRESENTATION.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S A PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE A PERSONAL
7 FRIEND, A FAMILY FRIEND, A ROLE MODEL, AND A HERO, A HERO TO
8 NOT JUST AMERICA BUT TO THE WORLD. THAT'S OUR BUZZ ALDRIN, WHO
9 HAS DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO THE UNITED STATES MILITARY, THE
10 UNITED STATES SPACE PROGRAM AND TO ENSURING THAT WE HAVE A
11 MORE PEACEFUL WORLD. BUZZ ALDRIN IS GOING TO JOIN WITH US AS
12 WE PROCLAIM NOVEMBER 10 AS ASTRONAUT'S VETERANS DAY THROUGHOUT
13 LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN HONOR OF THE HUNDREDS OF NASA EMPLOYEES,
14 THE 24 APOLLO ASTRONAUTS WHO SERVED THE NATION IN THE ARMED
15 FORCES AND HELPED ADVANCE THIS NATION'S SPACE PROGRAM, ANSWER
16 A PRESIDENT'S CALL TO PLACE A MAN ON THE MOON. AND I MIGHT ADD
17 THAT WHEN BUZZ WAS ON THE MOON, IF YOU READ HIS BOOK, HE
18 CELEBRATED THE LAST SUPPER ON THE MOON. THIS MARKS THE 40TH
19 ANNIVERSARY OF MAN'S GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT JOURNEYING TO AND
20 WALKING ON ANOTHER WORLD. APOLLO SET MAJOR MILESTONES IN HUMAN
21 SPACE FLIGHT. IT STANDS ALONE IN SENDING MANNED MISSIONS
22 BEYOND EARTH'S ORBIT. APOLLO 8 WAS THE FIRST MANNED SPACECRAFT
23 TO ORBIT ANOTHER CELESTIAL BODY WHILE APOLLO 17 MARKED THE
24 LAST MOON WALK. WAS THAT BEFORE MICHAEL JACKSON? [LAUGHTER.]
25 PERHAPS THE GREATEST SUCCESS OF THE APOLLO PROGRAM WAS



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1 INSPIRING A GENERATION OF AMERICANS THAT WITH PERSISTENCE,
2 FAITH, AND HARD WORK ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING IS POSSIBLE.
3 HOWEVER, THE APOLLO PROGRAM WOULD HAVE NEVER TAKEN OFF THE
4 GROUND WITHOUT THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF COUNTLESS VETERANS SERVING
5 IN OUR MILITARY, AT NASA, AND COMMANDING THE SATURN ROCKETS.
6 OUR VETERANS PLAYED A VITAL ROLE IN EVERY ASPECT OF THE APOLLO
7 PROGRAM. THEY SERVED AS FLIGHT CONTROLLERS, PROJECT ENGINEERS,
8 BACKUP CREW MEMBERS AND AS ASTRONAUTS THEMSELVES. OF THE 24
9 APOLLO ASTRONAUTS, 22 WERE VETERANS WHO REPRESENT THE FINEST
10 EXAMPLE OF BOTH MILITARY SERVICE AND ACTIVE DUTY AVIATION.
11 MANY OF THEM GAVE UP THEIR MILITARY CAREER FOR ADVANCEMENT TO
12 DEDICATE THEIR CAREER TO THE SPACE PROGRAM. THEY PASSED UP THE
13 STARS TO BECOME ASTRONAUTS AND TO SERVE OUR COUNTRY'S SPACE
14 PROGRAM. AMERICA'S HISTORY IS BUILT ON THE DESIRE TO OPEN NEW
15 FRONTIERS AND TO SEEK NEW DISCOVERIES. SPACE EXPLORATION IS AN
16 INVESTMENT IN OUR FUTURE. LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS PLAYED AND
17 CONTINUES TO PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN OUR NATION'S SPACE PROGRAM.
18 WE ARE THE HOME TO EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, THE BIRTHPLACE OF
19 EXPERIMENTAL X PLANES THAT PUSHED MAN PAST THE SOUND BARRIER
20 AND TOWARD THE STARS, TO THE HOME OF J.P.L., WHOSE HUBBLE
21 TELESCOPE OFFERED US A VIEW TO THE END OF OUR SOLAR SYSTEM AND
22 BEYOND. TO THE HOME OF AVIATION GIANTS LOCKHEED AND BOEING,
23 WHOSE ENGINEERS CONTINUE TO PUSH THE BOUNDARIES OF SPACE
24 FLIGHT TECHNOLOGIES. BUZZ, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR
25 COUNTRY, OUR COUNTY, OUR STATE AND NATION. AND IN HONOR OF



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1 VETERANS DAY TOMORROW, WE'RE GOING TO HONOR ALL VETERAN
2 ASTRONAUTS WHO SLIPPED THE SURLY BOUNDS EARTH TO TOUCH THE
3 FACE OF GOD, OUR NATION IS FOREVER GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SERVICE.
4 NAMES OF THOSE APOLLO ASTRONAUTS, GUS GRISSOM, ED WHITE, ROGER
5 CHAFFEE, ON APOLLO 1. WALLY SCHIRRA, DONN EISELE, WALTER
6 CUNNINGHAM, ON APOLLO 7. FRANK BORMAN, DAVE SCOTT, RUSTY
7 SCHWEICKART, ON APOLLO 9. TOM STAFFORD, JOHN YOUNG, GENE
8 CERNAN, ON APOLLO 10. NEIL ARMSTRONG, MICHAEL COLLINS, BUZZ
9 ALDRIN, ON APOLLO 11, PETE CONRAD, DICK GORDON, AL BEAN, ON
10 APOLLO 12. JIM LOVELL, FRED HAISE, JACK SWIGERT, ON APOLLO 13.
11 AL SHEPARD, STU ROOSA, ED MITCHELL, ON ON APOLLO 15. DAVE
12 SCOTT, AL WORDEN, JIM IRWIN, ON APOLLO 15. JOHN YOUNG, KEN
13 MATTINGLY, CHARLIE DUKE, ON APOLLO 16. GENE CERNAN, RON EVANS,
14 JACK SCHMITT, ON APOLLO 17. WHAT WE HAVE IS, WE'RE ALSO GOING
15 TO BE PROMOTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF LUNAR AMBASSADORS COMPOSED
16 OF THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO WORKED BEHIND THE SCENES TO THE
17 APOLLO PROGRAM TO CARRY OUR NATION'S MESSAGE OF SPACE
18 EXPLORATION TO THE WORLD. HAVING THESE INDIVIDUALS AS
19 AMBASSADORS TO THE WORLD AND TO JOIN IN THE PEACEFUL
20 EXPLORATION OF SPACE, THESE INDIVIDUALS REPRESENT THE BEST AND
21 THE FINEST IN THE UNITED STATES. AND HAVING THEM AS OUR
22 AMBASSADORS WILL HOPEFULLY PROVIDE THE ROLE MODELS FOR OUR
23 YOUTH TO EXPLORE AND ACHIEVE EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE TO HELP A
24 BETTER, PEACEFUL WORLD. SO AT THIS TIME LET ME GIVE THIS
25 PROCLAMATION TO BUZZ AND THEN BUZZ CAN SAY A FEW WORDS.



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1 [APPLAUSE.] LET ME ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE ONE OTHER PERSON WHO IS
2 NOT WITH US TODAY, AND THAT'S HIS LOVELY WIFE, LOIS, WHO IS
3 HOME PACKING RIGHT NOW.

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5 **BUZZ ALDRIN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FOR
6 BEING SO RECEPTIVE TO THESE IDEAS OF GIVING RECOGNITION TO THE
7 PEOPLE WHO WERE SO FORTUNATE TO COME ALONG AT JUST THE RIGHT
8 TIME TO BE GIVEN A GREAT NATIONAL OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THEIR
9 COUNTRY. AND THANKS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I AM A VERY
10 SATISFIED RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES AND HAVE BEEN SINCE I
11 RETIRED FROM THE MILITARY SERVICE AT EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE. I
12 HAVE BEEN A CATALYST FOR THE FUTURE LEADERSHIP OF THE UNITED
13 STATES GLOBALLY AND THERE ARE MANY WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITIES IN
14 FRONT OF US. IT'S NOT A TIME TO BE PESSIMISTIC. AND I THINK A
15 FEW OF US WHO WERE GIVEN THAT GREAT OPPORTUNITY CAN ASSIST IF
16 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL FOLLOW THROUGH THE WONDERFUL WORK
17 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HERE HAVE DONE IN CALLING
18 ATTENTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL NATURE OF SPACE IN THE FUTURE
19 AT THE SPACE STATION AS WE TRY AND UNDERSTAND THE DEBRIS
20 PROBLEM OF SPACE. EVERY NATION THAT HAS ASSETS IN SPACE IS IN
21 DANGER OF LOSING THOSE ASSETS, AND AN INTERNATIONAL APPROACH
22 IS ABSOLUTELY REQUIRED. ACTIVITIES AT THE MOON WILL REQUIRE AN
23 INTERNATIONAL COMING TOGETHER OF NATIONS, THOSE THAT FEEL A
24 BURNING DESIRE TO SEND THEIR NATIONAL CITIZENS TO THE MOON, AS
25 WE DID 40 YEARS AGO. WE ARE IN A GREAT POSITION TO LEAD THEM



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1 IN THEIR EFFORTS AND TO ESTABLISH THE COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES
2 THAT CAN COME FROM THE MOON WHILE WE IN THE UNITED STATES
3 PRESERVE OUR RESOURCES TO LEAD THE NATION IN WHAT I FEEL IS A
4 TWO-PHASED PROGRAM: 10 YEARS TO THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF
5 LANDING ON THE MOON AT A RECESSIONARY RECOVERY FUNDING LEVEL
6 BUT A STRONG COMMITMENT TO SETTLE HUMAN BEINGS ON ANOTHER
7 PLANET IN THE SOLAR SYSTEM, WHICH WILL TAKE THE NEXT 15 YEARS,
8 AND A REAFFIRMATION BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN CHARGE, IN
9 2019 AND 2020. SO WE'RE LAYING THE GROUNDWORK FOR THE FUTURE
10 INTERNATIONALLY. AND I THINK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HERE HAS
11 JOINED AN EFFORT FROM THE MAYOR OF NEW YORK ON COLUMBUS DAY
12 AND A PROCLAMATION THERE OF LUNAR DISTANCE DAY. AND I WANT TO
13 THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND EVERYONE IN LOS ANGELES
14 COUNTY FOR HELPING TO RECOGNIZE THE CONTRIBUTIONS NATIONWIDE.
15 I AM JUST A CATALYST REPRESENTING ALL THE ASTRONAUTS IN THIS
16 PARTICULAR ENDEAVOR. THIS IS NOT SOMETHING THAT'S COMING TO ME
17 THAT WAS SOUGHT OUT AS AN INDIVIDUAL, BUT AS A GROUP OF
18 DEDICATED PEOPLE. AND I WANT PEOPLE TO RECOGNIZE THAT THIS IS
19 NOT SOMETHING THAT I'VE PIONEERED EXCEPT FOR ALL OF THE PEOPLE
20 WHO HAVE BEEN GIVEN SUCH A GREAT OPPORTUNITY. SO THANK YOU
21 VERY MUCH, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
22 AND MICHAEL ANTONOVICH. [APPLAUSE.]

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE JUST INVITED OURSELVES TO GO ALONG ON
25 HIS FIRST TRIP TO THE MOON AS HONORARY CONSUL GENERAL. THE



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1 BOARD IS GOING WITH HIM AS LONG AS WE'RE BACK BY TUESDAY.

2 [LAUGHTER.]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HE'S ALSO A RECORDING ARTIST, HE'S A RAPPER
5 IF YOU'LL LET HIM TELL YOU ABOUT A RAP SONG HE'S DONE.

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7 **BUZZ ALDRIN:** I'VE WRITTEN TWO CHILDREN'S BOOKS IN EFFORTS TO
8 STIMULATE THE EDUCATION PROGRAMS OF OUR COUNTRY AND OUR YOUNG
9 PEOPLE. AND I'VE ALSO DONE REPRESENTATIVE COMMERCIALS FOR
10 WONDERFUL OMEGA WATCHES AND LOUIS VUITTON LUGGAGE. BUT ALSO
11 I'VE REACHED OUT TO THE RAPPERS OF AMERICA THROUGH THE
12 EXPERTISE OF SNOOP DOGG. AND IF YOU GO TO ITUNES AND DOWNLOAD
13 ROCKET EXPERIENCE, YOU'LL SEE AND MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO
14 CHARITY, OF COURSE, YOU WILL SEE SOME GREAT INSTRUCTION AND
15 HARMONY. [LAUGHTER.] THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M NOT SURE I CAN FOLLOW THAT. ANYWAY,
18 WE HAVE TODAY -- WE ARE GOING TO HONOR THE TOP 10 WINNERS OF
19 OUR QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY AWARDS. AND WE'RE ALSO GOING TO
20 ACKNOWLEDGE SOME COMMISSION SPECIAL AWARD WINNERS AND ALL OF
21 OUR COUNTY PROGRAMS THAT COMPETED FOR THESE TOP HONORS. THE
22 QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION HAS SHOWN OUTSTANDING
23 LEADERSHIP IN IDENTIFYING AND SHOWCASING BEST PRACTICES WHICH
24 IMPROVE SERVICE AND SAVE OUR TAXPAYERS MONEY. THESE PRACTICES
25 ARE OFTEN MODELED BY OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND GOVERNMENT



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1 AGENCIES. SO WE WANT TO GIVE SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR QUALITY AND
2 PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP, AND WE WANT TO
3 ACKNOWLEDGE THE CHAIR, MR. AL LEIGA? AL? WHERE ARE YOU? PARDON
4 ME? OKAY. AND ALSO THE AWARDS COMMITTEE CHAIR, EVELYN
5 GUTIERREZ, FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND HARD WORK. SO I'M GOING TO
6 ASK AL AND ELLEN TO JOIN ME UP HERE. AND NOW WE'RE GOING TO
7 PRESENT THE 2009 TOP 10 PROJECTS. FIRST UP IS THE CHIEF
8 EXECUTIVE OFFICE, MENTAL HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES, PUBLIC
9 HEALTH AND PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES FOR PROJECT 50. [APPLAUSE.]
10 LET'S GIVE THEM ONE BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. ALL RIGHT. THANK
11 YOU. [APPLAUSE.] IT REALLY HURTS. [LAUGHTER.] ALL RIGHT. LET'S
12 SEE. WE'VE GOT TO WAIT. EXIT STAGE RIGHT? NEXT WE HAVE
13 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR THE OLDER YOUTH ADOPTION
14 PROJECT. WE'D ASK THEM TO COME ON UP. [APPLAUSE.] HOW ARE YOU
15 DOING? JUST MOVE ON OVER, RIGHT HERE, WE'LL GET EVERYONE
16 AROUND. I WOULD JUST ADD, THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
17 FAMILY SERVICES, TRISH PLOEHN, OUR DIRECTOR, HAD A LITTLE
18 TRAGEDY LAST NIGHT. SHE LOST HALF HER HOME TO A FIRE. AND SO
19 WE'RE TRYING TO WORK WITH HER TODAY. SO OUR THOUGHTS AND
20 PRAYERS ARE WITH HER AND HER FAMILY. NEXT UP IS THE CHILDREN
21 AND FAMILY SERVICES COLLABORATED WITH PROBATION AND MENTAL
22 HEALTH FOR THE WRAPAROUND PROJECT. LET'S GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND
23 OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] OKAY. EXIT STAGE RIGHT. NEXT IS -- I
24 BETTER WAIT. NEXT IS COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES, THE
25 TREASURER, TAX COLLECTOR, CONSUMER AFFAIRS, THE TASKFORCE OF



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1 SENIORS AND DEPENDENT ADULTS WINNER. OKAY TO GIVE THEM A ROUND
2 OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT WE HAVE HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE
3 MID VALLEY RETINAL CAMERA AND LASER CLINIC. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT
4 WE HAVE THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THE MOBILE I.D. BLUE
5 CHECK. [APPLAUSE.] OKAY. ANOTHER SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TOP 10
6 WINNER IS THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MEDICAL SERVICES BUREAU,
7 URGENT CARE UNIT. [APPLAUSE.] NOW WE'RE GOING TO PRESENT THE
8 COMMISSION'S TOP THREE EAGLE AWARDS, THE BRONZE EAGLE IS
9 PRESENTED TO THE C.E.O., THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, FOR THE
10 TORT LIABILITY CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT,
11 THE SILVER EAGLE IS PRESENTED TO THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
12 WITH THE C.E.O., REGIONAL PLANNING, COUNTY COUNSEL, PUBLIC
13 HEALTH AND THE TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR FOR THE SUNSHINE CANYON
14 LANDFILL EXPANSION PROJECT. WOW. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT,
15 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] NOW, DRUM ROLL, PLEASE, THE
16 WINNER, THE GOLDEN EAGLE, PRESENTED TO THE ASSESSOR FOR 2009
17 DECLINING VALUE REVIEWS AND OUTREACH. [APPLAUSE.] SO WE ARE
18 GIVING AN AWARD BECAUSE WE HAVE LESS MONEY? I GET IT. I'M
19 GOING TO LET YOU SAY A FEW WORDS. ALL RIGHT. WHILE THEY'RE
20 LINING UP, I'M GOING TO ASK OUR ASSESSOR, MR. RICK AUERBACH,
21 TO SAY A FEW WORDS, THEN I'M GOING TO ASK THE CHAIR, AL, TO
22 SAY A FEW WORDS AND MAKE THE PRESENTATION.

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24 **RICK AUERBACH:** WELL FIRST OF ALL, LET ME THANK THE QUALITY AND
25 PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION FOR RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF THIS



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1 EXCELLENT STAFF HERE. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, I WOULD LIKE TO
2 THANK THEM MYSELF. OVER A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, ABOUT ONE
3 YEAR, THEY RECOGNIZED THE PROBLEM. THEY MET THAT CHALLENGE AND
4 IMPLEMENTED A SOLUTION THROUGH VERY COMMITTED AND HARD WORK.
5 AND WHAT THIS PROJECT DID IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS AT A VERY
6 LITTLE COST SAVED PROPERTY OWNERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
7 HOMEOWNERS, REALLY, ABOUT \$400 MILLION IN PROPERTY TAXES. SO
8 I'D LIKE TO THANK MY STAFF FOR THEIR EXCELLENT AND HARD WORK.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE.]

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AL, YOU WANTED TO SAY SOMETHING, RIGHT?
13 OH, OKAY. AFTER THIS. ALL RIGHT. ALL RIGHT. WAIT. OKAY. ALL
14 RIGHT. CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY. AND THE GENTLEMAN THAT DOES
15 A LOT OF HARD WORK ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION, THE CHAIRMAN,
16 PLEASE GIVE A WARM WELCOME TO MR. AL LEIGA. AL?

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18 **AL LEIGA:** THANK YOU SUPERVISOR KNABE. ACTUALLY, I'D LIKE TO
19 CONGRATULATE ALL THE TOP AWARD WINNERS, AND THE 97 PROJECTS
20 THAT ACTUALLY COMPETED IN THE 23RD ANNUAL QUALITY AND
21 PRODUCTIVITY AWARDS. WE KNOW AS THE COUNTY STRIVES TO IMPROVE
22 SERVICES AND COST SAVINGS THROUGH THESE VERY TOUGH ECONOMIC
23 TIMES, WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO HONOR ALL THE PROJECTS YOU'VE
24 SEEN HERE. FOR FOR THE INGENUITY, THE CREATIVITY AND
25 DEDICATION OF OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES THAT YOU GENERATED ALL



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1 THESE GREAT IDEAS. THE RESULTS OF THESE EXCELLENT PROJECTS ARE
2 IMPRESSIVE AS THE COUNTY SETS OUT TO NAVIGATE A NEW COURSE.
3 I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK OUR PRODUCTIVITY NETWORK CO-CHAIRS,
4 RICHARD YAUSSI, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND STEPHANIE
5 MAXBERRY, COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES. RICHARD AND STEPHANIE
6 ARE OUTSTANDING LEADERS IN OUR PRODUCTIVITY MANAGERS' NETWORK.
7 ALSO I WANT TO THANK THE COMMISSION'S PRODUCTIVITY AWARDS CO-
8 CHAIRS, CHERYL GUINN FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
9 AND JENNIFER COULTAS FROM CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES. THESE
10 REMARKABLE MANAGERS PRODUCED AN AMAZING AWARDS PROGRAM WORTHY
11 OF ALL THE PROJECTS THAT WERE HONORED. AND FINALLY, THE
12 COMMISSION CONGRATULATES ALL THE AWARD-WINNING PROGRAM
13 MANAGERS. THEY REFLECT THE HIGHEST STANDARDS OF SERVICE
14 EXCELLENCE AND HAVE MADE OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE
15 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. EACH YEAR, THE COMMISSION CHAIR
16 RECOGNIZES A LEADER WITHIN THE COUNTY, A DEPARTMENT HEAD WHO
17 LEADS BY EXAMPLE, CARRIES OUT THE MISSION AND VISION OF OUR
18 ORGANIZATION BY EMBRACING NEW TECHNOLOGIES, ADVANCING NEW
19 COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS AND ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE. I AM TRULY
20 HONORED TO PRESENT THIS YEAR'S CHAIR'S LEADERSHIP AWARD TO A
21 DIRECTOR WHO HAS CONTRIBUTED PERSONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL
22 LEADERSHIP TO A DEPARTMENT WHICH TRAINS MORE THAN 20,000
23 COUNTY EMPLOYEES ANNUALLY. THIS LEADER HAS AN IMPRESSIVE
24 RECORD OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS, ENSURING THAT PERSONS WITH
25 DISABILITIES HAVE EQUAL ACCESS TO PROGRAMS AND SERVICES,



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1 PROMOTING EQUAL ACCESS OF PARTICIPATION OF ALL BUSINESS
2 ENTERPRISES, AND MONITORING EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
3 COMPLIANCE. IN OCTOBER OF 2007, THE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED THE
4 TOP 10 AWARD FOR THE RISK MANAGEMENT FROM THEIR PROGRAM OF
5 BENEFITS OF MORE THAN \$6 MILLION. PLEASE JOIN ME IN SALUTING
6 THIS YEAR'S RECIPIENT OF THE CHAIR'S LEADERSHIP AWARD, A
7 DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION, COMPLIANCE,
8 DENNIS TAFOYA. [APPLAUSE.]

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10 **DENNIS TAFOYA:** THANK YOU, AL. WOW, NOW I KNOW WHAT AN ACADEMY
11 AWARD MOMENT FEELS LIKE. WHAT A GREAT HONOR TO RECEIVE THIS
12 LEADERSHIP AWARD. THE WORK THAT THE O.A.C. DOES IS A TOUGH
13 JOB. LAST YEAR, OR OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS, WE'VE
14 INVESTIGATED OVER 4500 COMPLAINTS. 500 OF THOSE CASES WERE
15 MEDIATED AND RESOLVED THROUGH MEDIATION. A VERY IMPORTANT
16 ACCOMPLISHMENT TO BE ABLE TO BRING BACK EMPLOYEES AND
17 MANAGEMENT TOGETHER TO DEAL WITH THOSE ISSUES OF EMPLOYMENT
18 DISCRIMINATION IN THE WORKPLACE. NOW, OUR COUNTY HAS DONE AN
19 INCREDIBLE JOB OVER THE LAST 40 YEARS ENSURING THAT EQUAL
20 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY IS PART OF THE MANAGEMENT FABRIC OF OUR
21 COUNTY. CURRENTLY, WOMEN REPRESENT ALMOST 60 PERCENT OF OUR
22 WORKFORCE. ETHNIC MINORITIES AND PEOPLE OF COLOR REPRESENT
23 ALMOST 70 PERCENT OF OUR WORKFORCE. THE CHALLENGE FOR OUR
24 COUNTY NOW IS TO ENSURE THAT ITS GREAT DIVERSITY LEARNS TO
25 RESPECT THE DIFFERENCES OF ALL PEOPLE IF WE'RE EVER TO GET OUR



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1 ARMS AROUND THE PROBLEM OF EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION. BUT IT'S
2 ALSO IMPORTANT THAT WE REMAIN DILIGENT IN ENSURING THAT WHEN
3 WE FIND PROBLEMS OF DISCRIMINATION, THAT WE ADDRESS IT
4 APPROPRIATELY, TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION; AND, WHEN NECESSARY,
5 DISCIPLINE AND TRAIN THOSE EMPLOYEES. AGAIN, I'M VERY HONORED
6 TO RECEIVE THIS VERY PRESTIGIOUS AWARD, AND I WANT TO THANK
7 THE BOARD FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF O.A.C.'S MISSION, AND
8 MOST IMPORTANTLY, LEADERSHIP CAN'T BE ACCOMPLISHED BY ONE
9 INDIVIDUAL. AND WITHOUT THE HARD WORK OF ALL THE O.A.C.
10 EMPLOYEES, I WOULDN'T BE STANDING UP HERE TODAY. I WANT TO
11 THANK THEM. THANK YOU VERY MUCH O.A.C. EMPLOYEES. [APPLAUSE.]
12 AND I WANT TO THANK THE COMMISSION AND THANK EVERYBODY HERE.
13 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. CONGRATULATIONS.
16 YEAH, DON'T FORGET THE AWARD. TO AL AND TO EVERYONE AT QUALITY
17 AND PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT'S ALWAYS
18 A FUN TIME TO HONOR AND RECOGNIZE. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT, I HAD
19 JUST HAD A GREAT HONOR THIS MORNING UPSTAIRS TO PRESENT SOME
20 CERTIFICATES TO SOME YOUNG INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE JUST
21 OUTSTANDING TALENT AND A PART OF OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH
22 SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS. I'M GOING TO ASK LOIS HUNTER AND ROBERT
23 CORKY DOMINGUEZ TO JOIN ME UP HERE AS WELL AS GEORGE SIMPSON,
24 PRINCIPAL OF OUR HIGH SCHOOL, AND DR. DARLINE ROBLES, OUR
25 SUPERINTENDENT FOR OUR COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, TO JOIN ME



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1 UP HERE, AS WELL. I JUST WISH ALL OF YOU HAD THE OPPORTUNITY
2 TO MEET THESE YOUNG PEOPLE, THEIR SPIRIT AND ENTHUSIASM FOR
3 WHAT THEY DO, WHAT THEY WANT TO BECOME IS CATCHING. AND I JUST
4 ENJOYED MYSELF UP THERE ALL OF YOU THIS MORNING. I'M GOING TO
5 ASK THEM ALL, PLEASE STAND AND BE RECOGNIZED. (CHEERS AND
6 APPLAUSE). ON AUGUST 15TH, LOIS AND CORKY AND 33 OF THESE 10TH
7 AND 11TH GRADERS AND THEIR CHAPERONES FROM THE LOS ANGELES
8 COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL COUNTY FOR THE ARTS LEFT FOR EDINBURGH,
9 SCOTLAND, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LARGEST ARTS FESTIVAL IN THE
10 WORLD, THE EDINBURGH FRINGE FESTIVAL. THE SCHOOL'S THEATER
11 DEPARTMENT WAS SELECTED BY THE AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL THEATER
12 FESTIVAL BOARD OF ADVISORS TO BE ONE OF ONLY EIGHT, OUT OF
13 ONLY EIGHT HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE UNITED STATES TO PARTICIPATE.
14 THE GROUP SPENT TWO DAYS IN LONDON AND TOOK A TRAIN TO
15 EDINBURGH WHERE THEY PERFORMED FOUR SEPARATE PERFORMANCES OF
16 THE MUSICAL "RUNAWAYS" BY PLAYWRIGHT AND COMPOSER, ELIZABETH
17 SWADOS. THIS MORNING AT OUR RECEPTION, I PRESENTED EACH OF
18 THEM WITH A CERTIFICATE ACKNOWLEDGING THIS INCREDIBLE
19 ACCOMPLISHMENT. AND SO WE JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THEM,
20 A JOB WELL DONE. WE ARE VERY, VERY PROUD OF YOU. WE KNOW THAT
21 YOU REPRESENTED NOT ONLY YOUR HIGH SCHOOL, BUT THE LARGEST
22 COUNTY IN AMERICA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, VERY WELL. AND WE'RE
23 SO, SO VERY PROUD OF YOU. SO WE ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE, AND
24 WE DID THE INDIVIDUAL, BUT I ALSO HAVE CERTIFICATES, SCROLLS



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1 HERE FOR LOIS HUNTER AND FOR CORKY DOMINGUEZ. AND WE THANK
2 THEM BOTH. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **LOIS HUNTER:** I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FROM THE
5 BOTTOM OF MY HEART, AND I KNOW I SPEAK FOR THE LACHSA, WE CALL
6 IT LOVINGLY LACHSA, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE
7 ARTS, IN THANKING THE SUPERVISORS. AS MOST OF YOU KNOW, THE
8 LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS SERVICES ALL
9 STUDENTS FROM THE COUNTY, ALL ECONOMIC LEVELS OF STUDENTS. AND
10 WE HAVE STUDENTS WHO LIVE IN MANSIONS AND WE HAVE STUDENTS WHO
11 LIVE IN THEIR CARS. AND SO THIS WAS A LABOR OF LOVE TO TRY TO
12 GET ALL 33 OF THESE CHILDREN ON THIS TRIP, BECAUSE IT WAS A
13 ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY. SO WITHOUT THE BOARD OF
14 SUPERVISORS HELPING US GET THERE BY GENEROUSLY CONTRIBUTING TO
15 THIS, WE WOULD NOT HAVE MADE IT. AND THE KIDS ARE JUST
16 WONDERFUL. I KNOW THAT THEY CAN TELL YOU WITH A SHOUT OUT HOW
17 BEAUTIFUL THIS TRIP WAS. (CHEERS AND APPLAUSE). AND I'D LIKE
18 TO THANK ALSO OUR SUPERINTENDENT, DARLINE ROBLES, FOR HER
19 STEADFAST SUPPORT. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK OUR PRINCIPAL, GEORGE
20 SIMPSON, OUR ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, GINGER MERIT. WE ALSO HAD
21 RYAN CANTWELL, ANOTHER ONE OF OUR FACULTY MEMBERS WHO WAS A
22 CHAPERON. AND SO I'D LIKE TO CALL UP OUR STUDENTS. THEY HAVE A
23 LITTLE GIFT FOR YOU ALL, SUPERVISORS. SO THEY ARE GOING TO
24 GIVE YOU A GIFT OF OUR APPRECIATION. CORKY, WOULD YOU LIKE TO
25 SAY SOMETHING AS A MEMBER OF THE TEAM?



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2 **ROBERT CORKY DOMINGUEZ:** I JUST WANTED TO SPEAK FOR THE KIDS IN
3 THAT WE HAD A WONDERFUL TIME. AND IT'S A MEMORY THAT THEY WILL
4 TREASURE FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES. AND AGAIN JUST THANK YOU
5 ALL FOR THIS WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **LOIS HUNTER:** AND I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE WAS
8 VERY INSTRUMENTAL IN THIS. AND ESPECIALLY HIS EDUCATION
9 DEPUTY, GAIL TURNEY, WHEREVER GAIL IS. WE'RE VERY APPRECIATIVE
10 OF HER HARD WORK. AND OF ALL THE SUPERVISORS' HARD WORK. AND
11 JUST A LITTLE TOKEN OF YOUR APPRECIATION WE'RE GIVING YOU. AND
12 WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **DARLINE ROBLES:** I ALSO WANT TO GIVE MY CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
15 STUDENTS TO BE THE ONLY HIGH SCHOOL TO REPRESENT THE ENTIRE
16 L.A. AREA AND ONE OF ONLY 45 TO REPRESENT US AT THIS
17 PRESTIGIOUS EVENT, I WANT TO GIVE A SHOUT OUT TO YOU.
18 CONGRATULATIONS, STUDENTS, FOR AN OUTSTANDING JOB. AND WE ALL
19 APPRECIATE YOU REPRESENTING US SO WELL. [APPLAUSE.] I ALSO
20 WANT TO ECHO MISS HUNTER'S COMMENTS TO OUR BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT IN MAKING SURE THAT
22 EVERY STUDENT WAS ABLE TO ATTEND REGARDLESS OF THEIR INCOME OR
23 SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS, EVERYTHING, THAT WE WERE ABLE TO HAVE
24 EVERY STUDENT WHO AUDITIONED AND WAS SELECTED TO ATTEND. IT
25 REALLY IS AN HONOR. AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK LOIS HUNTER, MR.



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1 GUTIERREZ, AND MR. SIMPSON, AND MRS. MERIT FOR THEIR CONTINUED
2 SUPPORT TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN. WE HOPE TO MAKE IT AN ANNUAL
3 EVENT, BECAUSE WE KNOW OUR STUDENTS CAN COMPETE WITH THE BEST
4 AND END UP ON TOP. AGAIN, CONGRATULATIONS, STUDENTS. I WOULD
5 BE AMISS. AND THIS IS THE LAST THING, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
6 KNABE. OUR WONDERFUL PARENTS. WE DEFINITELY COULD NOT HAVE
7 DONE THIS WITHOUT ALL OF OUR WONDERFUL PARENTS, AND SOME OF
8 THEM ARE IN THE AUDIENCE TODAY. SO THANK YOU, PARENTS, FOR
9 YOUR SUPPORT. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ONE MORE TIME, BIG ROUND OF
12 APPLAUSE! [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU, STUDENTS. AND I KNOW YOU'RE
13 ANXIOUS TO GET BACK TO SCHOOL. [LAUGHTER.] ALL RIGHT. AT THIS
14 TIME I'D LIKE TO CALL UP COLONEL JOSEPH SMITH, OUR DIRECTOR OF
15 MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS. IT IS WITH SOLEMN PRIDE AND
16 HEARTFELT GRATITUDE THAT WE PAUSE ON NOVEMBER 11TH TO HONOR
17 OUR NATION'S MILITARY VETERANS AND THE SACRIFICE THAT THEY
18 HAVE MADE FOR ALL AMERICANS AND JUST FOR THE GREAT SACRIFICE
19 THEY'VE MADE TO ALLOW STUDENTS LIKE THIS TO PROCEED ACROSS THE
20 WORLD. THROUGHOUT THE COURSE OF AMERICAN HISTORY, FEARLESS MEN
21 AND WOMEN HAVE TAKEN UP ARMS TO SECURE, DEFEND AND UPHOLD OUR
22 RIGHT TO LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS HERE IN
23 AMERICA. WE WILL ALWAYS BE GRATEFUL FOR THEIR NOBLE SACRIFICES
24 OF OUR MANY VETERANS. AND LOYALLY, WE HONOR THEM FOR THE GREAT
25 PRICE THAT THEY HAVE UNSELFISHLY PAID FOR OUR FREEDOM. SOME



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1 STILL LIVING AND MANY LIVING TODAY. AND UNFORTUNATELY SOME ARE
2 HOMELESS AND WE'RE TRYING TO REMEDY THAT PROBLEM, AS WELL, BUT
3 PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE. SO IT IS
4 FITTING THAT WE PAUSE ON THIS 91ST ANNIVERSARY OF ARMISTICE
5 DAY TO PAY TRIBUTE TO OUR COURAGEOUS VETERANS AND THOSE IN
6 COMBAT TODAY OVERSEAS, AND THE FAMILIES AWAITING THEIR SAFE
7 RETURN. SO ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES AND THE BOARD, WE'D LIKE
8 TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO COLONEL RECOGNIZES NOVEMBER 11,
9 2009, AS VETERANS DAY. AND WE URGE ALL COUNTY CITIZENS TO
10 PARTICIPATE IN PATRIOTIC EVENTS HONORING THIS DAY AND TO THANK
11 THE MEN AND WOMEN AND URGE ITS CITIZENS TO PARTICIPATE IN
12 SPECIAL SERVICES, PROGRAMS AND CEREMONIES HELD IN THEIR HONOR.
13 GOD BLESS OUR VETERANS AND GOD BLESS AMERICA. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **COL. JOSEPH SMITH:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
16 AND THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR REAFFIRMING THE
17 COVENANT BETWEEN ITS VETERANS AND THE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTY
18 AND THE NATION. VETERANS ASK FOR LITTLE. THEY SIMPLY ASK TO BE
19 REMEMBERED. AND AS YOU DO, PLEASE REMEMBER THREE SIMPLE BUT
20 VERY IMPORTANT WORDS: HONOR, COURAGE, SACRIFICE. THANK YOU FOR
21 REMEMBERING. [APPLAUSE.]

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OUR LITTLE ANIMAL IS POWDERING HER NOSE RIGHT
2 NOW. [LAUGHTER.] THIS IS LITTLE DAISY, WHO IS A DOMESTIC LONG
3 HAIR. HAD A LITTLE CATNIP ON HER FACE. THIS IS LITTLE DAISY.
4 SHE IS SAYING GOODBYE TO DONALD IN THE BACK. SHE'S LOOKING FOR
5 A HOME. SO YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644. LITTLE DAISY CAN BE
6 YOURS. SHE'S ONLY EIGHT WEEKS OLD AND LOOKING FOR A LOVING
7 HOME. SHE PROMISES TO STAY IN THE LITTER BOX, RIGHT?

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, ANY
10 PRESENTATIONS?

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** NOT TODAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,
13 PRESENTATIONS? ALL RIGHT. WE WILL PROCEED TO THE AGENDA, THEN.
14 I CONTINUED ITEM 24 ONE WEEK BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS A
15 MISTAKE IN THE BOARD LETTER AND SO I'M GOING TO ASK SACHI TO
16 RE-READ THE CORRECTION AND THEN I WILL MOVE THE ITEM.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 24, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
19 SERVICES WOULD LIKE TO AMEND THE RECOMMENDATION TO ADD THE
20 WORDS "FOR SERVICES PERFORMED AFTER THE DATE OF BOARD
21 APPROVAL" AND THIS WOULD GO RIGHT AFTER THEY STATE THE PERIOD
22 OF FEBRUARY 1, 2009 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2010, BY \$1 MILLION.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST ASK A QUESTION?

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHERE IS THE MILLION DOLLARS COMING FROM? I
4 READ THE REPORT. I DON'T KNOW WHERE THAT'S COMING FROM. IT'S
5 CONSPICUOUSLY SILENT. OKAY.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS WE
8 PRETTY WELL BULLET-PROOFED THIS AND THANKS TO THE C.E.O.'S
9 OFFICE AND FURTHER CLARIFICATION. AND THE OBJECTIVE IS TO MAKE
10 SURE THAT WE MOVE THIS FORWARD, THESE OPHTHALMOLOGICAL
11 SERVICES ARE PROVIDED COUNTYWIDE. TO DELAY WILL RESULT IN A
12 DISRUPTION OF SERVICES. MR. CHAIRMAN, I APPRECIATE YOUR
13 LIFTING THE MATTER SO THAT IT'S RELEASED AND THAT IT CAN GO
14 FORWARD AND CONTINUE THE SERVICES APPROPRIATELY.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I GET AN ANSWER TO MY QUESTION?

17

18 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, THE MILLION DOLLARS IS COMING
19 FROM OTHER SUPPLIES AND SERVICES SAVINGS AT THE M.L.K.
20 M.A.C.C.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY WASN'T THAT IN YOUR REPORT?

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24 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN IN THE BOARD LETTER
25 MORE CLEARLY, SUPERVISOR.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO CAN WE ADD THAT TO YOUR CLARIFICATION OR
3 WHATEVER YOU'RE CALLING THIS?

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

6

7 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THE SOURCE OF FUNDING IS THE SUPPLIES AND
8 SERVICES BUDGET OF THE M.L.K. M.A.C.C.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND YOU HAVE A MILLION DOLLARS IN THE
11 SUPPLIES AND SERVICES BUDGET OF THE M.L.K. M.A.C.C. THAT IS
12 UNEXPENDED?

13

14 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND IT'S NOT GOING TO CREATE A PROBLEM FOR
17 THE M.L.K. M.A.C.C. DOWN THE LINE FOR SUPPLIES AND SERVICES?

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19 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** NO, SUPERVISOR. THEY HAVE ENOUGH PROJECTED
20 THROUGH THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND AS I SAID, NOT TO DO THIS WOULD BE A
23 DISRUPTION, NOT ONLY TO THE SERVICES OF THAT SPECIFIC LEGION,
24 BUT I WANT TO UNDERSCORE THIS HAS COUNTYWIDE IMPLICATIONS.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** (OFF MIC) IS THAT CORRECT?

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WE'RE IDENTIFYING THE SOURCE OF FUNDS?

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE IDENTIFIED THE SOURCE.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE IDENTIFIED THE SOURCE. THAT WASN'T WHAT
8 THE DEPARTMENT GAVE TO ME.

9

10 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WE'RE IDENTIFYING THE SOURCE AND WE'RE
11 INDICATING THAT THE MILLION DOLLARS IS TO BE SPENT OVER THE
12 PERIOD FROM DATE OF BOARD APPROVAL, WHICH IF YOU APPROVE IT
13 NOW WOULD BE TODAY, THROUGH THE END OF THE CONTRACT.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO WE'RE ELIMINATING THE WORDS "FEBRUARY 1,
16 2009, THROUGH JANUARY 31 2010?"

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18 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** I THINK THAT'S THE CURRENT TERM OF THE
19 FUNDING. BUT THESE FUNDS WOULD BE ADDED FOR THIS PERIOD.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. GOT THAT? AND WE'VE GOT WHERE THE
22 FUNDS ARE COMING FROM.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DR. SCHUNHOFF, WHAT WAS THE LAST DATE, THE
25 END DATE? JUST SO WE HAVE THAT.



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2 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THE SAME AS IN THE MOTION.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WITH THAT CLARIFICATION AMENDMENT

7 --

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, JUST AS LONG AS DR. SCHUNHOFF
10 IS THERE. IF THE MILLION DOLLARS ORIGINALLY WAS CONTEMPLATED
11 FOR A FEBRUARY STARTING DATE AND IT'S NOW NOVEMBER, DO YOU
12 STILL NEED A MILLION DOLLARS?

13

14 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** YES, SUPERVISOR. WE'RE PROJECTING WE NEED
15 THAT.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY IS THAT?

18

19 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** BECAUSE THE LEVEL OF SERVICES THAT HAVE
20 BEEN PROVIDED HAVE EXCEEDED OUR ORIGINAL EXPECTATIONS.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT ORIGINALLY WHEN YOU RECOMMENDED THE
23 FEBRUARY STARTING DATE, WHAT IS THE CONCLUDING DATE? I DON'T
24 HAVE IT IN FRONT OF ME.

25



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE CONCLUSION DATE WAS JANUARY 31, 2010.

2

3 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THAT'S RIGHT.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU HAD AN 11-MONTH TERM OF THIS AND YOU
6 ESTIMATED THAT THE NEED THEN WAS A MILLION DOLLARS, CORRECT?
7 AN ADDITIONAL MILLION DOLLARS.

8

9 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** AT THE TIME, IN THAT TERM, THERE WAS A
10 1,976,208. AND AS STATED IN HERE, WE'RE ADDING A MILLION
11 DOLLARS TO THAT.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT. AND THAT WAS FROM FEBRUARY TO NEXT
14 JANUARY. IT IS NOW NOVEMBER. SO INSTEAD OF 11 MONTHS, IT'S
15 GOING TO BE THREE MONTHS. HOW DO YOU RECONCILE THAT YOU NEEDED
16 A MILLION FOR 11 MONTHS AND YOU STILL NEED A MILLION FOR THREE
17 MONTHS?

18

19 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** NO, WE'RE PUTTING THE--

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DR. SCHUNOFF, ISN'T THE--

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST GET MY QUESTION ANSWERED?

24



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LET JUST SIMPLY POSE THIS POINT. IT'S
2 BASED ON PROJECTED ISSUES.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** LET HIM FINISH AND THEN I'LL GET TO MR.
5 RIDLEY-THOMAS.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. GO AHEAD, DR. SCHUNHOFF.

8

9 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WE ARE PROJECTING WE NEED THAT FOR THE
10 REMAINING TERM.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, YOU WERE PREDICTING THAT FOR FEBRUARY.
13 I'M JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHETHER THIS IS SOMEHOW --
14 YOU'RE NOT RECONCILING THESE INCONSISTENCIES. YOU ORIGINALLY
15 MADE A RECOMMENDATION THAT IT GOES FROM FEBRUARY THROUGH
16 JANUARY, FEBRUARY OF '09 THROUGH JANUARY 2010. YOU NEEDED AN
17 EXTRA MILLION DOLLARS TO TAKE IT FROM 1.9 TO 2.9, CORRECT?

18

19 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** CORRECT.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT WAS THAT BASED ON?

22

23 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** ORIGINALLY, THE CONTRACT WAS BASED UPON
24 THE PROJECTION OF HOW WE WOULD SPEND OVER THE TERM. AND THE



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1 VOLUME HAS GONE UP, SO WE HAVE UTILIZED THE FUNDING MORE
2 QUICKLY THAN IT WAS PROJECTED.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE VOLUME HAS GONE UP THREE TIMES? BECAUSE
5 YOU'RE COMPRESSING A MILLION DOLLARS INTO 1/3 OF THE TIME THAT
6 YOU ORIGINALLY WERE GOING TO COMPRESS IT. ORIGINALLY IT WAS 11
7 MONTHS, NOW IT'S 2-1/2 TO 3 MONTHS.

8

9 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** IT SEEMS LIKE IT HAS GONE UP
10 SIGNIFICANTLY. I'LL BE HAPPY TO GET YOU FURTHER INFORMATION
11 ABOUT THAT. BUT THE VOLUME HAS GONE UP. AND WE DO, IN FACT,
12 HAVE THE FUNDING TO PAY FOR IT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE PROBLEM I'M HAVING IS THAT IT RAISES THE
15 QUESTION OF WHETHER YOU'RE COVERING STUFF THAT HAPPENED
16 BETWEEN FEBRUARY AND NOW, NOVEMBER 10TH, WITH THIS MILLION
17 DOLLARS.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SINCE IT'S NOT RETROACTIVE. THAT'S WHY
20 WE ASKED FOR THE CLARIFICATION.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I KNOW HE'S SAYING IT'S NOT RETROACTIVE, BUT
23 HE'S GOT THE SAME MILLION DOLLARS THAT WAS IN THIS REPORT TO
24 BEGIN WITH.

25



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1 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THAT'S WHY WE ASKED THE COUNTY COUNSEL,
2 COMPOSED THE LANGUAGE WHICH WE ASKED THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO
3 READ AND TO MAKE SURE, ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN, THAT EVERYBODY WAS
4 CLEAR, THIS IS NOT RETROACTIVE. THAT THE MILLION DOLLARS WOULD
5 BE SPENT FROM TODAY ON.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU'RE SAYING THAT THE DEMAND FOR THIS
8 SERVICE HAS TRIPLED AS OF NOVEMBER 10TH. BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING
9 TO NEED THE SAME AMOUNT OF MONEY BETWEEN NOVEMBER AND JANUARY
10 THAT YOU PREVIOUSLY THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO NEED BETWEEN
11 FEBRUARY OF THIS YEAR AND JANUARY OF NEXT YEAR.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN? MR. YAROSLAVSKY, I THINK I
14 CAN CLARIFY THIS.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, I APPRECIATE THAT. AND I
17 WILL BE INTERESTED. BUT I'M ASKING HIM THE QUESTION RIGHT NOW.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I KNOW YOU ARE BUT HE CAN'T ANSWER IT. I
20 HAVE THE INFORMATION. SO DO YOU WANT THE INFORMATION OR NOT?

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO GET HIS ANSWER, THEN I'D LIKE TO
23 HEAR YOUR ANSWER, OKAY?

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HE JUST GAVE YOU THE ANSWER.



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2 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, THE WORKLOAD HAS INCREASED. I
3 DON'T HAVE THE WORKLOAD DATA WITH ME, BUT I HAVE BEEN TOLD BY
4 STAFF THAT WE NEED THAT MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE REMAINING PART
5 OF THE TERM.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU KNOW WHETHER IT'S INCREASED BY THAT
8 MAGNITUDE? ESSENTIALLY TRIPLED?

9

10 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING, SUPERVISOR.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MAY I? AND DR. SCHUNHOFF,
13 THIS IS INFORMATION THAT HAS JUST BEEN PROVIDED, AND SO I
14 TRUST THIS IS ESSENTIALLY WHAT YOU'RE REFERRING TO. AND FOR
15 THE BENEFIT OF THE BOARD AND THE AUDIENCE, SO THAT THERE'S
16 CLARITY AS TO THE NEED, THE NUMBER OF VISITS IN THE EYE CLINIC
17 IS JUST OVER APPROXIMATELY 1,000 PER MONTH. AND IT IS NOT
18 RETROACTIVE. IT IS ESSENTIALLY THAT WHICH IS BOOKED OUT FOR
19 ANOTHER SIX MONTHS. IN ADDITION, WE HAVE FIVE MONTHS' WORTH OF
20 PATIENTS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN BOOKED. AND THE LOSS OF SERVICES
21 WOULD MEAN OVER 10,000 PATIENTS WOULD NEED TO BE REFERRED TO
22 OTHER FACILITIES, SPECIFICALLY HARBOR- U.C.L.A. AND
23 L.A.C.+U.S.C. THAT'S WHY THIS IS JUSTIFIED. THAT'S WHY IT
24 NEEDS TO BE DONE TODAY. THAT IS ESSENTIALLY WHY I THINK THE
25 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES IS IN ORDER WITH RESPECT TO THE



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1 ALLOCATION OF THESE RESOURCES, WHICH ARE RESIDENT AT THE
2 M.A.C.C. THAT QUESTION HAS BEEN ANSWERED. AND I BELIEVE IT'S
3 APPROPRIATE TO MOVE FORWARD, MR. CHAIRMAN, AND I WOULD SO
4 MOVE. MR. CHAIRMAN, MAYBE THEY'RE TRYING TO GET THAT
5 INFORMATION. IF WE COULD JUST --

6

7 **SHEILA SHIMA:** I THINK WHAT THEY'RE TRYING TO DO, SHEILA SHIMA,
8 DEPUTY C.E.O., HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH. I THINK WHAT THEY'RE
9 TRYING TO DO IS JUST CLARIFY THE WORDING IN THE AMENDMENT. BUT
10 I DID WANT TO CLARIFY THAT THE CONFUSION IN THE BOARD LETTER
11 IN THE WAY IT WAS WRITTEN IS THAT THE INCREASE OF A MILLION
12 DOLLARS DOES APPLY TO THE ONE-YEAR TERM. AND I THINK THAT'S
13 WHERE THE CONFUSION CAME UP. HOWEVER, THE AMOUNT OF THE
14 MILLION DOLLARS WILL ONLY BE SPENT FOR SERVICES FROM THE DATE
15 OF BOARD APPROVAL. THE INCREASE IN THE WORKLOAD ACTUALLY
16 OCCURRED EARLIER IN THE PERIOD, AND BECAUSE OF THAT, THE
17 DEPARTMENT ACTUALLY SPENT MORE THAN THEY ANTICIPATED IN THE
18 FIRST FEW MONTHS OF THE TERM. SO THEY HAVE SPENT MOST OF THE
19 \$1.9 MILLION I THINK OF THE EXISTING AMOUNT MORE QUICKLY THAN
20 THEY THOUGHT. AND SO NOW IN ORDER TO FINISH OUT THE TERM OF
21 THE AGREEMENT, THEY HAVE TO INCREASE THE DOLLARS SO THAT THEY
22 CAN SPEND GOING FORWARD. SO THAT FOR THE TOTAL 12-MONTH
23 PERIOD, THE AMOUNT FOR THAT FULL YEAR WILL BE \$2.9 MILLION.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I APPRECIATE THAT EXPLANATION. SO
2 FUNCTIONALLY WE'RE COVERING AN OVERSPENDING OF THE EARLIER
3 PERIOD, WHICH I UNDERSTAND. AND WE DO THAT FROM TIME TO TIME
4 WHEN YOU HAVE THAT KIND OF A SITUATION. BUT, YOU KNOW, THE
5 BOARD REPORTS SHOULD BE CLEARER ON THAT POINT AND ON THE
6 SOURCE OF MONEY POINT. NOT JUST ON THIS ISSUE BUT ON ALL
7 ISSUES. IT JUST SHOULD -- I SHOULD BE ABLE TO LOOK AT A BOARD
8 REPORT AND SAY THIS IS HOW MUCH IT'S GOING TO COST, THIS IS
9 THE REASON AND THIS IS WHERE THE MONEY IS COMING FROM. AND WE
10 SHOULDN'T HAVE TO GO THROUGH THIS RIGMAROLE AT THE BOARD.

11

12 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE AGREE WITH THAT.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE A MOTION AND SECOND AS
15 CLARIFIED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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17 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR --

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU CAN PROVIDE THAT, THE LANGUAGE.

20

21 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** OKAY.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S BEEN MOVED, SECONDED AND
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OH, I'M SORRY. SOMEBODY JUST



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1 SIGNED UP ON THIS? WE DIDN'T HAVE SPEAKERS, DID WE ORIGINALLY?

2 OH, OKAY. ALL RIGHT. OKAY. GENEVIEVE? DR. CLAVREUL?

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4 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. OF
5 COURSE YOU KNOW YOU SHOULDN'T DO THIS VOTE BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T
6 ALLOW ME TO SPEAK BEFORE IT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** (OFF MIC).

9

10 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW, WE
11 HAVE MORE PEOPLE NOW WORKING. WE HAVE THE C.E.O. WITH A WHOLE
12 BUNCH OF TEAM. WE NEVER GET THE REPORT. AND I'M GLAD MANY OF
13 YOU COMPLAINED OF THE LACK OF PRECISION OF THOSE REPORTS. NO
14 REPORT WAS AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC. AND IT'S THE SAME
15 CONVOLUTED ANSWER. WE NEVER GET THE RIGHT NUMBER. WE DON'T
16 KNOW EXACTLY HOW MUCH IT COSTS. CONTRACT THAT WE OPEN ARE
17 CHANGED, AND SO ON. AND YOU KNOW, IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO
18 KEEP TRACK OF WHAT'S REALLY GOING ON IN THE PAYMENTS MADE AND
19 SO ON. AND THAT'S REALLY ANGERED ME. AND WHEN WE HAVE
20 INDIVIDUAL, LIKE DR. SCHUNHOFF, OR ANYBODY ELSE WHO WORKS FOR
21 THE COUNTY WILL COME IN FRONT OF YOU AND CANNOT ANSWER YOUR
22 QUESTION, IS SOMETHING WRONG IN THAT PICTURE? I MEAN, YOU
23 KNOW, WHEN YOU HAVE PEOPLE REPORTING TO YOU, THEY ARE PAID TO
24 PROVIDE THAT INFORMATION. AND EVERY TIME, I'VE BEEN HERE FOR
25 ALMOST 10 YEARS. AND WE ARE HEARING THE SAME SONG EVERY TIME.



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1 "OH, I DON'T KNOW THE NUMBER. I WILL HAVE TO LOOK IT UP." AND
2 OF COURSE THEY NEVER GET BACK TO YOU SO YOU NEVER HAVE THE
3 TRUE NUMBER. AND THAT'S CONSTANTLY. AND I'M POINTING OUT THE
4 HEALTH DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE I AM TOTALLY FOCUSED ON THE HEALTH
5 DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE IT'S WHAT I KNOW THE BEST AND I AM EXPERT
6 IN THAT FIELD. AND YOU KNOW, IT'S VERY CONCERNING. WE ARE
7 SPENDING THE SAME AMOUNT OF TIME AND WE ARE GETTING THE SAME
8 EXCUSE ALL THE TIME. I DON'T REMEMBER ONE TIME WHEN SOMEBODY
9 CAME HERE CAME PREPARED TO TRULY GIVE YOU A REPORT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'VE HAD MANY OCCASIONS THEY HAVE COME
12 PREPARED. WE HAVE. YOU ARE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. BUT WE'VE HAD
13 MANY REPORTS THAT ARE FULLY PREPARED.

14

15 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THEY ARE NOT. THEY HAVE NEVER BEEN.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WHATEVER, OKAY.

18

19 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** SO THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT, MOVED BY
22 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
23 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. WITH YOUR
2 PERMISSION, I'M GOING TO GIVE GENEVIEVE THE COPY OF THE REPORT
3 THAT I HAVE THAT REFLECTS THE COUNTYWIDE IMPACT HERE.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SO ORDERED. OKAY. I'M GOING
6 TO BEGIN. I'M UP FIRST, RIGHT?

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** FIRST OF ALL I'M GOING TO MOVE THAT WE
11 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR. DE PAUL, THE COUSIN OF MY WIFE,
12 JULIE, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. HE WILL BE SORELY MISSED BY
13 FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN, BEN AND ELENA.
14 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A GOOD FRIEND, MR. JOHN MC
15 TAGGART, FORMER MAYOR AND COUNCILMAN OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES,
16 WHO PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER 4 AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH CANCER.
17 HE WAS 79 YEARS OLD. HE WAS ONE OF THE EARLY FOUNDERS OF THE
18 CITY RANCHO PALOS VERDES, AND LED THE INCORPORATION TO GET
19 PASSED BY VOTERS IN '73. HE SERVED FOR EIGHT YEARS ON THE
20 PLANNING COMMISSION PRIOR TO GETTING ELECTED TO THE CITY
21 COUNCIL IN 1983, WHICH HE SERVED ON UNTIL 2003. JOHN HAS
22 SERVED ON MANY GOVERNING BODIES AND ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING
23 THE VECTOR CONTROL BOARD, THE NOISE ROUND TABLE, CONTRACT
24 CITIES, INTEGRATED WASTE TASKFORCE, M.T.A. SOUTH BAY SECTOR
25 GOVERNANCE COUNCIL AND P.V. SUNSET ROTARY CLUB. JOHN IS



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1 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF OVER 50 YEARS, JUST A WONDERFUL LADY
2 HERSELF, FLO; TWO SONS, CLARKE AND MICHAEL; TWO DAUGHTERS,
3 JEAN AND STEPHANIE; THREE GRANDCHILDREN, AND SEVEN GREAT
4 GRANDCHILDREN. GREAT MAN. WILL BE MISSED BY ALL. ALSO WE
5 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARVALEEN HELLER, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
6 PALOS VERDES AND MOTHER OF BARBARA NALL, C.E.O. OF THE L.A.
7 FINANCIAL CREDIT UNION, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. SHE IS
8 SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, BARBARA, AND WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED.
9 ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TAYLOR MOSS, A RESIDENT OF
10 MANHATTAN BEACH AND DAUGHTER OF DEAN MOSS, OWNER OF POCKETS
11 SPORTS BAR, WHO WAS TRAGICALLY KILLED BY A DRUNK DRIVER. OUR
12 HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES GO OUT TO MR. MOSS AND HIS ENTIRE FAMILY
13 OVER THEIR TRAGIC LOSS. THEN ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
14 ANOTHER GREAT LADY, SANDI SHADDEN, A COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER AND
15 ACTIVIST AND LONGTIME LONG BEACH RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY
16 NOVEMBER 5 AFTER BATTLING PANCREATIC CANCER. SHE WAS 70 YEARS
17 OLD. SHE WAS KNOWN FOR STANDING STRONG IN THE FACE OF
18 ADVERSITY. FROM DEALING WITH THE UNTIMELY MURDER OF HER SON TO
19 HER BATTLE WITH CANCER IN HER LATER YEARS, SHE ALWAYS CHOSE TO
20 STAY AND FIGHT IN THE CITY SHE LOVED. SHE FORMED A COMMUNITY
21 GROUP CALLED CITIZENS IN BUSINESS AGAINST CRIME. SHE WAS AN
22 ALSO AN ACTIVE BOARD MEMBER OF CHILDNET, YOUTH AND FAMILY
23 SERVICES AND THE TODD CANCER INSTITUTE OF LONG BEACH MEMORIAL
24 MEDICAL CENTER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 51 YEARS,
25 TOM; SON, JOHN; DAUGHTER, LAURA; FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. SHE WILL



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1 BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND THE ENTIRE LONG
2 BEACH COMMUNITY. SO ORDERED. I'M GOING TO CALL UP ITEM 25. WE
3 HAVE A COUPLE FOLKS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK. MR. DAN GOTTLIEB AND
4 JON NAHHAS. JOHN AND DAN IF YOU'D COME FORWARD, PLEASE?

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS IT POSSIBLE THAT WE COULD CONTINUE ITEM -- I
7 THINK IT IS 50 --

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ONE YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT? 42?

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** 42. FOR TWO WEEKS? I UNDERSTAND WE DO HAVE ONE OF
12 THE CHIEFS HERE, BUT I'D LIKE CHIEF FREEMAN TO BE HERE. SO IF
13 WE COULD CONTINUE IT FOR TWO WEEKS, HE IS ON VACATION.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. OKAY. THIS IS ITEM 25.

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21 **DANIEL GOTTLIEB:** CAN I START?

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SURE.

24



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1 **DANIEL GOTTLIEB:** MY NAME IS DANIEL GOTTLIEB. GOOD MORNING,
2 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT THE BOAT
3 CENTRAL OPTION EXTENSION. BOAT CENTRAL WILL BE CANTILEVERED
4 OVER THE WATER, VIOLATING THE L.C.P., THE LOCAL COASTAL
5 PROGRAM. THE DESIGN CONTROL BOARD, WHICH WAS THE FIRST TO HEAR
6 THIS, REFUSED TO APPROVE BOAT CENTRAL PROJECT SINCE IT IS
7 BUILT OVER THE WATER AND INTERFERING WITH THE PUBLIC BOAT
8 LAUNCH AND DEGRADES ENTRY POINT AND INEXPERIENCED BOATERS
9 ACCESS TO THE WATER. THIS IS AN EXTENDING LEASE OPTION
10 CONTRARY TO COURT DECISIONS, ACCORDING TO -- ON PAGE 2 OF THE
11 BOARD'S LETTER, LAST PARAGRAPH, "THE CURRENT -- LEASE OPTION
12 AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY AND BOAT CENTRAL WILL EXPIRE ON
13 NOVEMBER 22ND, 2009. DUE TO RECENT COURT DECISIONS, COUNTY
14 WILL NOT EXTEND THE EXPIRING OPTION OR ENTER INTO A NEW OPTION
15 AGREEMENT WITH BOAT CENTRAL UNTIL THE REQUIRED C.E.Q.A. REVIEW
16 AND CERTIFICATION OF THE PROJECT E.I.R. HAS BEEN COMPLETED."
17 NOW, SO THE QUESTION IS: IT SEEMS LIKE YOU SHOULDN'T BE
18 EXTENDING A LEASE OPTION. SO WHAT THIS IS, ISN'T EXTENDING A
19 LEASE OPTION. THIS IS CALLED AN EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION
20 AGREEMENT. WHAT WE REALLY NEED FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
21 AND OUR PUBLIC OFFICIALS IS SOME COMMITMENT TO FOLLOWING THE
22 LAWS. IF THIS IS A LAW OR A PART OF THE LAW, THEN YOU
23 SHOULDN'T JUST CHANGE THE NAME AND KEEP COMING. WHEN THE
24 D.C.B. DECLINED TO APPROVE THE BOAT CENTRAL, THEY SAID
25 SOMETHING WAS WRONG. UNANIMOUSLY, THEY SAID SOMETHING WAS



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1 WRONG WITH THE PROCESS. AND THEY ATTACHED A LETTER TO GO UP
2 THE CHAIN OF THE PERMITTED PROCESS. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE
3 SEEN THE LETTER.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, WE'VE SEEN THE LETTER.

6

7 **DANIEL GOTTLIEB:** YOU HAVE SEEN ACTUALLY THAT LETTER?

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEY'RE AN ADVISORY GROUP. THEY'RE NOT A
10 POLICY GROUP. THEY'RE AN ADVISORY GROUP. THE REASON FOR THIS
11 EXTENSION IS NO MORE THAN THE ISSUES THAT THEY HAVE TO DEAL
12 WITH WITH COASTAL. THAT'S ALL WE'RE ALLOWING THE PROCESS TO
13 PROCEED. IT'S NOTHING NEW OR UNIQUE. PART OF THIS WAS THEIR
14 DELAY --

15

16 **DANIEL GOTTLIEB:** MY MAIN POINT IS NOT EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED,
17 BUT THAT THE BOARD FELT LIKE SOMETHING WAS GOING WRONG WITH
18 THE PROCESS AND THEY ACTUALLY SENT UP A SPECIAL --

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE SAW IT.

21

22 **DANIEL GOTTLIEB:** THING WARNING. SO YOU'RE BEING WARNED THAT
23 THE PROCESS IS GOING AWRY. AND AT SOME POINT OR OTHER, YOU'RE
24 GOING TO HAVE TO STAND UP AND TAKE CREDIT FOR THAT AND NOT
25 BLAME IT ON YOUR STAFF.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE NOT BLAMING IT ON THE STAFF. WE'RE
3 NOT BLAMING IT ON ANYONE. BUT THEY HAVE TO DO THEIR -- GET
4 THEIR CERTAIN DEALS DONE WITH THE COASTAL COMMISSION. AND
5 THAT'S WHAT'S GOING TO TAKE TIME. SO THE PROCESS IS GOING TO
6 WORK. IT'S NOT US OR OUR STAFFS OR ANYTHING ELSE, IT'S THE
7 ISSUES THEY HAVE TO DEAL WITH IN FRONT OF COASTAL AND THAT'S
8 THE REASON FOR THE EXTENSION. JOHN?

9

10 **JON NAHHAS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JON NAHHAS,
11 I'M WITH THE BOATING COALITION. MR. YAROSLAVSKY, I NEED YOUR
12 SYMPATHETIC EAR, MR. ANTONOVICH I'M APPEALING TO YOUR SENSE OF
13 HONOR AND INTEGRITY. MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, I WOULD LIKE YOUR
14 ATTENTION AS YOU REPRESENT ME IN MY DISTRICT. AND MISS MOLINA,
15 I WOULD LIKE YOU TO SCRUTINIZE THIS EXTENSION OR AS IN YOUR
16 OWN WORDS, "LIFT UP THE SKIRT AND DO SOME MICROMANAGING." THE
17 STAFF REPORT THAT WAS GIVEN TO YOU BY THE DIRECTOR OF BEACHES
18 AND HARBORS IS VERY MISLEADING AND MAY BREACH THE REQUIREMENT
19 FOR GOVERNMENT TO PROVIDE HONEST SERVICES FOR ITS CITIZENS.
20 THE REPORT STATES BOAT CENTRAL HAS DILIGENTLY PURSUED ITS
21 ENTITLEMENTS, BUT DUE TO DELAYS BEYOND ITS CONTROL WILL NOT BE
22 ABLE TO ACQUIRE THE ENTITLEMENTS FOR THIS PROJECT PRIOR TO THE
23 EXPIRATION OF ITS EXISTING OPTION. AMONG THE MAJOR REASONS FOR
24 THE DELAY IN COMPLETING AND FILING THE E.I.R. FOR THE PROPOSED
25 PROJECT TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS' INVESTIGATION OF THE



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1 SOIL CONDITION ON PARCEL GG, AN ISSUE THAT WASN'T ANTICIPATED.
2 ONE OF THE MAJOR DELAYS THAT IS NOT PART OF THIS REPORT THAT
3 IS PARAMOUNT TO THIS EXTENSION THAT IS NOT BEING MENTIONED
4 HERE IS THE FACT THAT THE DESIGN CONTROL BOARD, A BOARD MADE
5 UP OF FIVE APPOINTEES FROM EACH ONE OF OUR DISTRICTS
6 UNANIMOUSLY DISAPPROVED THIS PROJECT. NORMALLY THE D.C.B.
7 PASSES 99 PERCENT OF THE PROJECTS THAT IT REVIEWS FOR LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY. BUT THIS ONE WAS SUCH A STINKER AND HAD SO
9 MANY PROBLEMS THAT IT DIDN'T GET A PASS. BY SIGNING THIS
10 EXTENSION, YOU ACKNOWLEDGE A LACK OF FAITH IN THE PUBLIC
11 PROCESS AND A LACK OF CONFIDENCE IN THE PROFESSIONALS THAT YOU
12 HAVE APPOINTED. BOAT CENTRAL IS SIMPLY INAPPROPRIATE, NOT ONLY
13 IN ITS ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES AND ITS COMPLIANCE WITH THE
14 COUNTY'S LAWS, BUT THE FACT THAT IT GIVES OUR WEALTHIER
15 CITIZENS A GIFT OF OUR PUBLIC LANDS. WHILE THE TECHNOLOGY IS
16 GREAT AND CALLING AN HOUR BEFOREHAND TO GET YOUR BOAT WASHED,
17 FUELED, FILLED WITH PROVISIONS AND THEN LAUNCHED, THE USE OF
18 THIS PUBLIC PARCEL, OF OUR PUBLIC PARCELS THAT EXCLUDES THE
19 MAJORITY OF OUR CITIZENS, IS COMPLETELY INAPPROPRIATE. A
20 CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSIONER JUST SAID LAST MONTH, MADE THE
21 STATEMENT "DRY STACK STORAGE WILL SHUT THE DOOR ON AFFORDABLE
22 BOATING." THE BOATING COALITION ASKED THAT EACH ONE OF YOU ASK
23 QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS EXTENSION AND THIS PROJECT AND HOW IT IS
24 NOT IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE BOATERS OR THE CITIZENS OF
25 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE



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1 STEWARD OF THE PUBLIC HARBOR IN MARINA DEL REY AND HAS THE
2 DUTY TO PROTECT RECREATIONAL BOATING FOR THE CITIZENS OF LOS
3 ANGELES, CALIFORNIA AND THE ENTIRE NATION. PLEASE FOLLOW YOUR
4 APPOINTEES OF THE DESIGN CONTROL BOARD AND DO NOT SIGN THIS
5 CONTRACT. LET THE DEVELOPERS COME BACK WITH A PROJECT THAT
6 WORKS FOR ALL OF US. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
9 OKAY. IF NOT, THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
10 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. JOHN, WOULD YOU STAY?
11 YOU HELD ITEM NO. 4 WHILE YOU'RE HERE.

12

13 **JON NAHHAS:** ITEM NO. 4 DEALS WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS -- DO
14 YOU WANT TO GIVE A BACKGROUND ON THIS OR DO YOU JUST WANT ME
15 TO SPEAK ON IT?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL IT IS IS -- I RECEIVED A LETTER AS
18 CHAIR OF THE BOARD, WHOEVER IS CHAIR GETS THE LETTER. THERE'S
19 AN APPOINTMENT UP AND SAYS SUBMIT NAMES. NOT NECESSARILY
20 NOMINEES, BUT JUST SUBMIT A LIST OF NAMES. AND WE'VE HAD FROM
21 CITY'S ELECTIONS COMMITTEES TO OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS
22 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY GIVEN TO US, AND THAT'S HOW THE NAMES,
23 FIVE NAMES THAT I SUBMITTED AND THEN SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
24 ADDED THREE ADDITIONAL NAMES FROM MALIBU, SANTA MONICA AND --
25 TWO FROM SANTA MONICA. SO WE SUBMIT THESE NAMES TO SENATOR



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1 STEINBERG AND THEN THEY GO THROUGH THE RULES COMMITTEE AND
2 THEY DO ALL THEIR -- OKAY?

3

4 **JON NAHHAS:** AGAIN. MY NAME IS JON NAHHAS. I WOULD LIKE TO
5 SUPPORT ONE OF MR. KNABE'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AN APPOINTMENT
6 TO THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION. DR. SUJA LOWENTHAL FROM
7 LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT CANDIDATE TO
8 SERVE AS ONE OF OUR COASTAL COMMISSIONERS. DR. LOWENTHAL, HAS
9 BEEN, AS YOU MAY KNOW, HAS BEEN ONE OF OUR ALTERNATES FOR
10 LARRY CLARK, A GOOD FRIEND OF DON KNABE, AND JUST IN NOVEMBER
11 HELPED LEAD A DISCUSSION IN THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION
12 ON IN-LIEU FEES. DR. LOWENTHAL HAS SHOWN GENUINE CONCERN FOR
13 THE LOSS OF AFFORDABLE BOATING OPPORTUNITIES AND WOULD BE A
14 GOOD APPOINTMENT TO ENSURE THAT THE COASTAL ACT AND MARINA DEL
15 REY'S L.C.P. IS UPHELD. MR. KNABE, IT IS ENCOURAGING THAT YOU
16 HAVE SHOWN INTEREST IN THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION. WITH
17 YOUR SUGGESTIONS FOR APPOINTMENTS COMES SOME RESPONSIBILITY ON
18 YOUR PART AND THIS BOARD. AND WE WOULD LIKE THIS BOARD TO
19 SUPPORT THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION. YOU SHOULD FOLLOW
20 THE 67 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COASTAL COMMISSION, WHICH YOU
21 NOW WANT TO HELP WITH THE SUGGESTED NAMES, AND UPDATE THE
22 L.C.P. AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COASTAL COMMISSION. THANK YOU.

23



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU ALSO TO
2 WRITE A LETTER OF SUPPORT TO SENATOR STEINBERG. HE IS THE ONE
3 PROCESSING ALL THESE NAMES. SO ON BEHALF OF SUJA, OKAY?

4

5 **JON NAHHAS:** I WILL. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT, I'LL
8 MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT
9 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. I CALL UP -- WHAT TIME IS S-1? OKAY.
10 LET'S CALL UP S-1. OKAY. GET THE BOARD REPORT AND WE HAVE A
11 COUPLE OF MEMBERS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON IT, ARNOLD AND
12 GENEVIEVE. DR. CLAVREUL. THIS IS S-1. YOU WANT TO CONTINUE?
13 ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAS RECOMMENDED WE CONTINUE THIS
14 ITEM. ONE WEEK OR TWO WEEKS?

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** ONE WEEK.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WE WE'LL CONTINUE ITEM S-1 ONE WEEK.
19 AND WITHOUT OBJECTION -- DO YOU WANT TO WAIT THEN? DO YOU WANT
20 TO SPEAK NOW OR DO YOU WANT TO WAIT? OKAY. ARNOLD, DO YOU WANT
21 TO SPEAK? OKAY. DR. CLAVREUL?

22

23 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, AGAIN, DR. GENEVIEVE
24 CLAVREUL. I PROBABLY WON'T BE ABLE TO MAKE IT NEXT WEEK, SO I
25 WANT TO GIVE MY 10 CENTS NOW. YOU KNOW, AGAIN I'M VERY



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1 CONCERNED ON WE ARE STILL WORKING TO GET A CONTRACT WITH OTHER
2 HOSPITALS TO TRANSFER PATIENTS. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON -- WE
3 KNOW FOR MANY MONTHS ON THAT. THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN DONE A
4 LONG, LONG TIME AGO. WE HAVE H1N1 COMING UP AT OUR DOOR AND WE
5 STILL DON'T HAVE ALL THE READINESS TO ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING
6 VALIANT. AND I DON'T THINK TODAY WE SHOULD POSTPONE ANYTHING
7 HAVING TO DO WITH THE HEALTHCARE. I THINK WE SHOULD DEAL ON
8 IT. I MEAN, TODAY IT WAS 12 POSTPONED ITEMS. WITH THIS ONE, AT
9 13. I MEAN YOU KNOW IN THE PAST, WE USED TO HAVE MAYBE ONE OR
10 TWO PLUS ONE. NOW WE HAVE MORE AND MORE. BUT I WANT TO THANK
11 WENDY SCHWARZ WHO SENT ME INFORMATION I HAD REQUESTED ON CAROL
12 MEYER. I WAS A LITTLE BIT CONCERNED BECAUSE WHEN I LOOKED AT
13 THE DESCRIPTION FOR THE EMPLOYMENT, IT WAS ONLY FOR A PERSON
14 OF THREE WEEKS, FOR A PERIOD OF THREE WEEKS, WHICH IS ABSURD
15 FOR A POSITION AT THAT LEVEL TO ONLY GET THREE WEEKS. AND ALSO
16 IT WAS DURING CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY FROM THE 19TH OF DECEMBER TO
17 THE FIRST DAYS OF JANUARY. SOMEBODY DIDN'T WANT ANYBODY ELSE
18 IN THAT POSITION BUT CAROL MEYER, THAT IS VERY EVIDENT. ALSO,
19 I'M ASTONISHED THAT ON THAT REQUEST, THIS POSITION IS ONLY
20 AVAILABLE TO COUNTY EMPLOYEES. THEN AT THE END OF THE
21 DESCRIPTION, WE ARE AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER. THAT'S AN
22 OXYMORON. TOTALLY OXYMORON. BECAUSE IF IT IS ONLY FOR L.A.
23 COUNTY PEOPLE, IT IS NOT AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER BECAUSE
24 IT SHOULD BE OPEN TO OTHER PEOPLE. AND WHY THAT KIND OF
25 POSITION IS RESTRICTED TO COUNTY EMPLOYEES? I WOULD LIKE A



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1 WRITTEN, LEGAL COMMENT ON THAT FROM -- COMMENT ON YOUR LEGAL
2 COUNSEL WHO DON'T SEEM TO BE EVEN LISTENING RIGHT NOW. BUT I
3 WOULD LIKE A WRITTEN OPINION.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU DON'T NEED TO. WE CAN LIMIT IT ANY
6 TIME. YOU CAN HAVE AN INTERNAL SEARCH AND THEN AN EXTERNAL
7 SEARCH. YOU HAVE THAT RIGHT.

8

9 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YEAH, I WOULD LIKE A WRITTEN OPINION
10 FROM THE COUNSEL. HOW COME A JOB IS RESTRICTED IN THAT
11 SPECIFIC POSITION? BECAUSE I KNOW SOME JOBS COULD BE
12 SPECIFICALLY FOR THE COUNTY, BUT IN THAT POSITION IT'S ABSURD.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IT'S YOUR OPINION.

15

16 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** ALSO I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT BILL SHE
17 WAS SO ESSENTIAL IN GETTING APPROVED? BECAUSE THAT'S THE ONE
18 REASON SHE WAS MOVED FROM INTERIM TO PERMANENT POSITION FOR
19 ALL HER IMPACT ON THE BILLS. WE HAVE FULL-TIME LOBBYISTS IN
20 SACRAMENTO. WE HAVE FULL-TIME LOBBYISTS IN WASHINGTON, D.C. I
21 WANT TO KNOW THE SPECIFIC BILLS SHE HAS WORKED ON. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. CAN'T WIN FOR LOSING WITH
24 YOU. ONE OF THE REASONS FOR ALL THE CONTINUANCES IS WE DON'T
25 THINK THERE'S ENOUGH INFORMATION IN THERE.



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2 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THAT'S THE POINT. IT'S BETTER TO HAVE
3 A LITTLE BIT OF INFORMATION THAN NO INFORMATION AT ALL.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU JUST TOLD ME IT WASN'T EARLIER, BUT
6 THAT'S OKAY.

7

8 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YOU KNOW IF I DIDN'T CARE, I WOULD SAY
9 NOTHING. BUT I DO CARE.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M JUST SAYING IT'S IN RESPONSE TO A
12 LOT THAT YOU SAY. OKAY. STAY HERE. ITEM 23. ITEM 23. DR.
13 CLAVREUL AND ARNOLD SACHS. NO BECAUSE IT IS CONTINUED. WE
14 ALREADY CONTINUED IT. CONTINUED ONE WEEK. I'LL MOVE IT. I
15 MEAN, IF SUPERVISOR MOLINA MOVED IT, I'D SECOND IT WITHOUT
16 OBJECTION. SO ITEM 23, MR. SACHS AND DR. CLAVREUL.

17

18 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** IT KIND OF RELATED TO THE PAST ITEM.
19 WE HAVE CLOSED SO MANY EMERGENCY ROOMS IN THE LAST COUPLE OF
20 YEARS, AND I THINK MANY OF THEM WERE THANKS TO MISS CAROL
21 MEYER. AND SPECIFICALLY CHANGE RULE TRAUMA CENTER WAS CLOSED
22 UPON HER RECOMMENDATION AND SO ON. AND AS OF TODAY, WE STILL
23 HAVE NEVER RECEIVED THE TAPE MANDATED THAT WE CLOSE THE TRAUMA
24 CENTER. I WOULD GIVE ANYTHING TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT, TO SEE
25 THAT TAPE. I WOULD DO ANYTHING.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH TAPE?

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4 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THE TAPE WHO MADE THE DECISION TO
5 CLOSE THE TRAUMA CENTER FINALIZE.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OUR PUBLIC HEARING OUT AT M.L.K.? IS
8 THAT WHAT YOU WANT?

9

10 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** NO, NO, NO. PRIOR TO THAT. WE HAD THE
11 PUBLIC HEARING AS A REBUTTAL TO THE CLOSURE OF THE TRAUMA
12 CENTER.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE DIDN'T CLOSE THE TRAUMA CENTER UNTIL
15 AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING.

16

17 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** NO. IT WAS THE MEETING WITH DR.
18 GARTHWAITE. CAROL MEYER, WHO HAD BEEN, PRIOR TO THAT TIME. AND
19 WE HAD TO "DECOMPRESS" KING-DREW. AND WE HAD TO CLOSE THE
20 TRAUMA CENTER. THAT'S THE WORST THING WE COULD HAVE DONE.
21 FIRST OF ALL, AT THE TIME IT WAS THE ONLY TRAUMA CENTER WHICH
22 WAS SEISMICALLY SAFE. I THINK WE NEED TO -- WHY NOW ALL THE
23 MONEY FOR MEASURE "B" IS BEING REDISTRIBUTED TO -- WHERE I'M
24 SURE THEY'RE NEEDED. AND I'M NOT COMPLAINING ABOUT THAT. BUT I
25 THINK WE NEED TO TAKE A DIFFERENT APPROACH OF WHAT'S GOING ON



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1 WITH THE EMERGENCY ROOMS. I MEAN I THINK NOBODY IS REALLY
2 LOOKING AT THE ENTIRE PICTURE. AND I'M GOING TO BRING THE SAME
3 THINGS TWO KEY ISSUES WE HAVE HERE. WHEN ARE WE GOING TO GET A
4 NEW DIRECTOR OF D.H.S.? AND WHEN ARE WE GOING TO START
5 THINKING AND BUILDING ANOTHER HOSPITAL IN THE SAN GABRIEL
6 VALLEY? I THINK YOU MADE THAT PROMISE WAY BACK WHEN YOU
7 DECIDED TO REDUCE THIS SIDE OF U.S.C., EXCEPT FOR SUPERVISOR
8 MOLINA. AND ONE OF THE COMMITMENTS, IF I REMEMBER RIGHT, WAS
9 WE WILL BE LOOKING AT A SMALLER HOSPITAL IN THE SAN GABRIEL
10 VALLEY. AND I WOULD HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU DO SO IN THAT
11 PART OF THE PROPOSITION "B" GO TO THEM. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARNOLD?

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. I KNOW
16 YOU CONTINUED ITEM S-1, WHICH WAS A REPORT ON COUNTY- U.S.C.,
17 BUT BASED ON THE DISCUSSION YOU HAD HERE TWO WEEKS AGO
18 REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF PATIENTS, I WAS JUST CURIOUS.
19 BECAUSE YOU KNOW YOU HAD A SMALL HOSPITAL. HERE HERE YOU'RE
20 INCREASING THE OBLIGATION TO 5.6, \$2 MILLION FOR FUNDING TO GO
21 TO ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL, OR ST. FRANCIS MEDICAL CENTER FOR
22 TRAUMA AUGMENTATION, WHICH I IMAGINE IS TRANSFERRED OR FOR
23 THEM TO SEE PATIENTS THAT WOULD HAVE NORMALLY HAVE GONE TO
24 KING-DREW.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S RIGHT.

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3 **ARNOLD SACHS:** IN ALL HONESTY, IT SEEMS TO ME IT'S A DIFFERENT
4 DRESSING, BUT THE SAME KIND OF DISH. SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS
5 UPSET BECAUSE THERE WAS NOT ENOUGH EFFORT OR PLANNING DONE TO
6 TRANSFERRING PATIENTS. AND THE QUESTION WAS: WELL, WHAT ABOUT
7 THE BUDGET CONSTRAINTS REGARDING THAT? AND I'M JUST ASKING:
8 HERE YOU'RE HAVING \$5.6 MILLION. IN ESSENCE, TRANSFERRING
9 PATIENTS THAT WOULD HAVE GONE TO KING-DREW SO THEY CAN GO TO
10 ST. FRANCIS MEDICAL CENTER. IS THE BUDGET BEING INCREASED AT
11 COUNTY-U.S.C. FOR THE SAME PURPOSE SO THAT YOU KNOW THAT THE
12 WAITING LIST, THE WAITING TIME AND THINGS THAT WERE DISCUSSED
13 AGAIN TWO WEEKS AGO IS OFF THE CHARTS. HAS THE BUDGET FOR FOR
14 EXAMINING OR LOOKING INTO THAT SITUATION BEING INCREASED
15 BECAUSE IF YOU'RE CERTAINLY GOING TO DO THAT HERE, ONE OF THE
16 BEST WAYS TO ELIMINATE OR LOWER SOME OF THE PROBLEMS THAT
17 YOU'RE FACING IN COUNTY-U.S.C. IS TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF
18 FUNDING THEY GET. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. ITEM 23, MOVED BY
21 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT
22 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ARNOLD, IF YOU STAY HERE, ITEM 9, 50
23 AND 54.

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25 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SIR, WHAT'S YOUR PREFERENCE?



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S YOUR THREE. 9, 50 AND 54.

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4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM 9 REFERS TO CELLULAR PHONE AND I THINK
5 STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS REGARDING THE REGULATION OF WIRELESS
6 TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES. I'D LIKE TO SEE THE COUNTY
7 ADDRESS SOME OF THE BAIT AND SWITCH PROBLEMS YOU RUN INTO WITH
8 PHONE OPERATORS, WITH CELLULAR PHONE OPERATORS REGARDING SO-
9 CALLED SERVICE AREA BLACKOUTS AND, OH, GET A NEW PHONE AND
10 YOU'LL INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF SERVICE YOU CAN GET. BUT THEY
11 DON'T EXPLAIN THAT THE NEW PHONE COMES WITH ADDITIONAL YEARS
12 OF SERVICE CONTRACTS. AND YOU DON'T NECESSARILY KNOW IF YOU'RE
13 GOING TO GET BETTER SERVICE. I'D ALSO LIKE TO HAVE THE COUNCIL
14 -- BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADDRESS THIS OTHER BAIT AND SWITCH
15 PROBLEM REGARDING FEDERAL LAWS. I BELIEVE IT WAS LAST YEAR,
16 THERE WAS A HEARING AT THE F.C.C. REGARDING A CERTAIN
17 PERCENTAGE HAVING TO BE MET FOR CABLE TELEVISION. AND THE
18 REASON I'M BRINGING IT UP IS BECAUSE SOME OF THE PHONE
19 COMPANIES ARE NOW INVOLVED IN BROADCASTING T.V.S WITHOUT
20 BROADCASTING FACILITIES, THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO STREAM
21 TELEVISION SHOWS OVER THEIR SYSTEMS. BUT THE MAJOR PROBLEM I
22 SEE IS THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THE F.C.C., SAID THAT IN
23 ADDRESSING THE PERCENTAGE THAT NEEDED TO BE MET, TELEPHONE
24 COMPANIES THAT PROVIDE CABLE WOULD BE CONSIDERED CABLE
25 COMPANIES. BUT LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES CONSIDER THEM TELEPHONE



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1 COMPANIES AND GIVE THEM ACCESS TO PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY, WHICH I
2 DON'T BELIEVE CABLE COMPANIES HAVE THE SAME ACCESS TO PUBLIC
3 RIGHT OF WAYS AS UTILITY COMPANIES. AND I THINK PHONE
4 COMPANIES FALL UNDER THE UTILITY DEFINITION WHERE CABLE
5 COMPANIES DON'T. AND SO SOME OF THESE SYSTEMS THAT ARE GOING
6 IN, I KNOW FOR A FACT ARE CLAIMING THAT THEY'RE JUST
7 QUOTE/UNQUOTE "TELEPHONE COMPANIES" UNTIL THEIR CABLE IS IN
8 THE GROUND AND THEN THEY BECOME CAPABLE OF CARRYING
9 TELEVISION, WHICH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SAID IF THEY'RE
10 CARRYING TELEVISION, THEY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED A CABLE
11 COMPANY. AND THEY SHOULD BE PAYING FOR THE RIGHT TO USE PUBLIC
12 RIGHT OF WAY. SO IF YOU WANT TO LOOK AT WHAT THE CONSISTENCY
13 BETWEEN STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS, LET'S LOOK AT THAT PROBLEM
14 BECAUSE THE PUBLIC IS TAKING A BEATING ON THIS WHOLE
15 SITUATION. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 50 AND 54?

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. TAKE THOSE TOGETHER.

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23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, I WILL. THEY ARE TWO BONDS IN REDONDO
24 BEACH. AND I ORIGINALLY THOUGHT THEY WERE ACTUALLY ONE BOND,
25 AND JUST A PROBLEM WITH -- THERE MIGHT HAVE BEEN A TYPO THERE.



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1 BUT IT'S \$70 MILLION. NOT THAT I WAS PERSONALLY INVOLVED IN
2 MANHATTAN BEACH, BUT THE FIASCO THAT OCCURRED THERE WITH THE
3 LAST BOND, THEY JUST APPROVED THE BOND TO DO THE SCHOOL
4 IMPROVEMENTS THAT THE PREVIOUS BOND WAS SUPPOSED TO DO, EXCEPT
5 FOR -- AND I BROUGHT THIS UP -- TWO LITTLE PROBLEMS. ONE, THE
6 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE THAT THEY HAD NEVER MET, WHICH WAS JUST A
7 LITTLE OVERSIGHT. AND, TWO, THEY SPENT MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN
8 CHANGE ORDERS THAT WERE UNACCOUNTED FOR BECAUSE THE OVERSIGHT
9 COMMITTEE NEVER MET. SO I WAS JUST WONDERING IF THERE'S AN
10 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE, WOULD THE COUNTY KNOW? OR
11 WOULD THAT BE SOMETHING THAT WOULD BE STRICTLY DONE THROUGH
12 REDONDO BEACH?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** STRICTLY DONE IN REDONDO. OUR JOB IS TO
15 HELP THEM WITH THE BONDS. THEY HAVE THEIR OWN OVERSIGHT.

16

17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** AND THEN IF THE BONDS DON'T REACH THE LEVEL OF
18 MATURITY THAT THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO, WILL THE PUBLIC IN REDONDO
19 BEACH BE RESPONSIBLE THROUGH A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE TO MEET
20 THE RETURN THAT THE BONDS ARE --

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'D HAVE TO ASK THEM. OKAY?

23

24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO ASK THEM. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. WE WILL MOVE ON ITEM 50
2 AND 54. THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
3 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM 9 MOVED BY
4 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT
5 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. I UNDERSTAND ON THE A AGENDA, I HAVE
6 THE ABILITY TO CALL UP PUBLIC HEALTH. THEY HAVE SOME
7 INFORMATION ON H1N1. SO I'LL CALL THEM UP HERE TO GIVE US A
8 BRIEF REPORT.

9

10 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, BOARD, I'M
11 JONATHAN FIELDING FROM PUBLIC HEALTH. FIRST I WANT TO THANK
12 YOU FOR THE VERY STRONG SUPPORT THAT YOU HAVE PROVIDED TO US.
13 THAT'S ALLOWED US TO GET OUT THERE VERY AGGRESSIVELY AND MAKE
14 SURE THAT THE LIMITED AMOUNT OF VACCINE WAS GETTING INTO THE
15 HIGH-RISK POPULATION EARLY. OVERALL, THE H1N1 PANDEMIC STRAIN
16 REMAINS AT EPIDEMIC LEVELS CONSISTENT WITH ITS BEING CALLED A
17 PANDEMIC. WE HAVE HIGH LEVELS OF HOSPITALIZATION, HIGH LEVELS
18 OF MORTALITY. WE HAVE 74 DEATHS NOW FROM H1N1. AND IF YOU LOOK
19 AT THE PERCENTAGE OF THOSE COMING TO HOSPITALS WITH INFLUENZA-
20 LIKE ILLNESS, IT IS ABOVE THE EPIDEMIC THRESHOLD. IT REMAINS
21 VERY, VERY HIGH AND HIGHER, IN MY EXPERIENCE, THAN WE'VE EVER
22 SEEN AT THIS TIME OF YEAR. WE DO EXPECT, ALTHOUGH PREDICTIONS
23 ARE ALWAYS HAZARDOUS WITH INFLUENZA, THAT THE WAVE THIS NEAR
24 OR AT ITS PEAK. HOWEVER, EVEN IF WE SEE DECLINES IN THE NEXT
25 FEW WEEKS, THERE WILL BE A LARGE AMOUNT OF FLU ACTIVITY AND



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1 RELATED SEVERE CASES, MAKING IT NO LESS IMPORTANT THAT THOSE
2 IN THE HIGH-RISK GROUP RECEIVE THE VACCINE. THERE WERE ABOUT
3 200 HOSPITALIZATIONS LAST WEEK, TO GIVE A SENSE OF THIS.
4 RECENT ANALYSIS OF CALIFORNIA CASES HAVE EMPHASIZED THE MUCH
5 HIGHER RISK FOR THOSE OBESE AND VERY OBESE IF THEY CONTRACT
6 H1N1S. SO WE'RE ADDING THIS TO THE SET OF UNDERLYING
7 CONDITIONS TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THEIR RISKS AND
8 ARE IMMUNIZED. OVERALL, THE FLOW FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
9 OF VACCINE HAS INCREASED SOMEWHAT AND THAT'S THE GOOD NEWS.
10 HOWEVER, IT STILL REMAINS BELOW WHAT'S NEEDED FOR OUR TARGET
11 POPULATION, WHICH TOGETHER ARE 5-1/2 MILLION CHILDREN AND
12 ADULTS. AND TO DATE, 810,000 DOSES OF H1N1 VACCINE HAVE BEEN
13 EITHER RECEIVED OR ORDERED FOR DELIVERY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
14 OF THAT AMOUNT, THE MAJORITY, 538,000, HAVE GONE TO PRIVATE
15 PROVIDERS, AND 272,000 HAVE COME TO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
16 HEALTH. ALTHOUGH THE MAJORITY OF THOSE IN THE TARGET GROUPS
17 HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE, THE MAJORITY OF H1N1 VACCINE HAS BEEN
18 ALLOCATED TO PRIVATE PROVIDERS. STILL, CURRENT SUPPLY IS
19 INADEQUATE. AND IT'S GOING TO TAKE A NUMBER OF WEEKS FOR
20 PRIVATE PROVIDERS TO HAVE ENOUGH VACCINE TO MAKE UP FOR THE
21 DEMAND AND IT WILL DIFFER BY PROVIDER BECAUSE THEY'VE ORDERED
22 DIFFERENT AMOUNTS OF VACCINE. SCREENING HAS BEEN COMPLICATED
23 BY THE FACT THAT THERE ARE TWO DIFFERENT TYPES OF VACCINE, THE
24 NASAL SPRAY AND THE INJECTABLE. THE NASAL SPRAY ONLY BEING
25 GOOD FOR THOSE 2 TO 49, WOMEN WHO ARE NOT PREGNANT, AND ALL



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1 THE OTHERS NEED AN INJECTABLE. FROM FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23RD, OUR
2 FIRST OUTREACH CLINIC, TO SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8TH, WE PROVIDED
3 108,000 H1N1 VACCINATIONS AT 69 CLINICS IN ALL PARTS OF LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY. AND FOR MOST PART I THINK THESE HAVE RUN WELL,
5 THE LARGEST MOBILIZATION OUR DEPARTMENT'S EVER UNDERTAKEN. AND
6 WE'VE TYPICALLY GENERATED BETWEEN 1800 AND 2200 VACCINATIONS
7 PER SITE. THERE HAVE BEEN PROBLEMS OF LONG LINES, MAINLY
8 ATTRIBUTED TO HIGH DEMAND AND LOW VACCINE AVAILABILITY. SOME
9 PLACES HAVE HAD HUGE WAITING LISTS AND LINES UP TO 3,000
10 PEOPLE. OTHER PLACES WE'VE NEVER HAD A LINE MORE THAN 50 OR
11 100. IT'S BEEN VERY HARD TO PREDICT. WE HAVE ALSO SEEN IT'S
12 TAKEN MORE TIME TO SCREEN PEOPLE ON THE LINE THAN WE HAD
13 ANTICIPATED, BECAUSE THERE ARE TWO DIFFERENT TYPES OF VACCINE
14 TYPES. THERE'S ALSO PERSONAL PREFERENCES. SO IN RESPONSE TO
15 THESE CONCERNS, WHAT WE'VE DONE IS WE'VE ADDED MORE HEALTHCARE
16 PROFESSIONAL SCREENERS TO SITES AND STARTED SCREENING THE
17 PEOPLE IN THE LINE WELL BEFORE THE CLINICS OPEN. AND WE'VE
18 IMPROVED THE LINE MANAGEMENT BY LETTING THE PEOPLE WAITING IN
19 LINE KNOW VERY QUICKLY HOW MUCH VACCINE WILL BE AVAILABLE AND
20 ASKING THOSE WHO ARE NOT IN THE HIGH RISK GROUP TO GO HOME AND
21 TO COME BACK WHEN THERE IS, IN FACT, MORE VACCINE OR TO GET IT
22 FROM THEIR PRIVATE PROVIDERS AND EXPLAIN TO THEM WHY. WE'VE
23 ALSO DONE SIGNAGE AND FLYERS INFORMING THE PUBLIC OF THE
24 VACCINE SHORTAGE AND TARGET GROUPS. THERE WILL BE 18 MORE
25 VACCINE CLINICS THIS WEEK STARTING ON THURSDAY. AND WE'VE MADE



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1 VERY CLEAR WHAT TO EXPECT ON THEIR WEBSITE AS WELL AS ON OUR
2 SIGNAGE AND FLYERS. WE'RE GOING TO SHORTLY PUBLISH AN UPDATED
3 SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 16TH AND NOVEMBER 22ND. AND WHAT WE'RE
4 GOING TO DO IS TO PHASE DOWN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
5 NEIGHBORHOOD-LEVEL VENUES IN FAVOR OF REGIONAL CLINICS AFTER
6 THAT. WE ALSO EXPECT INCREASINGLY THAT A HIGHER PERCENTAGE
7 WILL OCCUR IN PHYSICIAN OFFICES AND COMMUNITY CLINICS AS
8 VACCINE SUPPLY INCREASES. AND WE HOPE IN THE NEAR FUTURE THAT
9 THERE WILL BE ADEQUATE VACCINE TO ALSO GO TO THE PHARMACIES, A
10 NUMBER OF WHICH HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE
11 IT AS THEY HAVE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS SEASONAL INFLUENZA. THE
12 MASS VACCINATION EFFORT HAS REQUIRED A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF
13 OUR STAFFING, AND AVOIDING STAFF BURNOUT IS ONE FACTOR IN OUR
14 REVISED PLAN. DESPITE THESE SUCCESSES IN THE PAST, WE ARE
15 WORKING ON THE FOLLOWING IMPROVEMENTS. FIRST OF ALL, TO
16 STRENGTHEN OUTREACH TO IDENTIFY PROVIDERS WHO SERVE KEY
17 SEGMENTS OF THE TARGETED GROUPS. ALSO, OUTREACHING TO PERSONS
18 WITH LOW LEVELS OF HEALTHCARE ACCESS OR LOWER HISTORICAL RATES
19 OF FLU IMMUNIZATION. AND THEN THE USE OF MEDIA TO STRESS THE
20 IMPORTANCE OF GETTING THE VACCINE. WE HAD MARKETING CAMPAIGNS
21 WITH ADS ALL READY TO GO AND PULLED THEM BECAUSE THERE WASN'T
22 ENOUGH VACCINE AND WE HAD TOO MANY PEOPLE ALREADY ONLINE.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND ALSO LIKE NOT TALKING TO CITIES
25 ABOUT TRAFFIC CONTROL AND A FEW OTHER THINGS, RIGHT?



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DR. JONATHAN FIELDING: CORRECT, ABSOLUTELY. A TOTAL OF 11
HEALTH CENTER PARTNERS HAVE BEGUN TO ADD H1N1 VACCINATIONS AT
26 LOCATIONS, WHICH WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY ACCESS.
IN ADDITION, WE'RE WORKING WITH L.A.U.S.D. AND OTHER SCHOOL
DISTRICTS TO SUPPORT THEIR ABILITY TO HOLD SCHOOL-BASED
VACCINATION CLINICS. MANY ENTITIES CONTINUE TO PROVIDE KEY
ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING OUR OWN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES IN
THE HOST CITIES. AND I WANT TO ESPECIALLY MENTION THE CITY OF
LOS ANGELES, BUT MANY OTHER CITIES HAVE BEEN VERY GOOD
PARTNERS, AS WELL. IN ADDITION, OUR WEBSITE CONTAINS UP-TO-
DATE INFORMATION REGARDING VACCINE CLINICS AND FLU HYGIENE, AS
WELL AS LINKS TO OUR YOUTUBE SITE WITH MORE INFORMATION. AND
WE'VE ALSO BEEN PARTNERING WITH 211, WHO PROVIDES INFORMATION
FOR PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE WEB OR PREFER TO USE
THE TELEPHONE. I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

17

SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS? YES, MARK?

19

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. DR. FIELDING, IT
WOULD BE USEFUL IF WE HAD A COPY OF YOUR REPORT. I'M NOT SURE
THAT SUCH HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED FOR THE BOARD'S REVIEW. AND THE
SOONER THAT HAPPENS, THE BETTER. IF YOU WERE TO EVALUATE THE
DEPARTMENT'S ROLLOUT TO DATE, HOW WOULD YOU ASSESS THAT?

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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I THINK THE DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF THE
2 ROLLOUT, IN TERMS OF HAVING --

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RECITE IT IN WHATEVER WAY YOU WISH, I'D
5 LIKE TO KNOW WITH SOME DETAIL.

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7 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** IN TERMS OF SITES THROUGHOUT THE
8 COUNTY, I THINK WE'VE DONE A GOOD JOB CONSISTENT WITH THE
9 WILLINGNESS OF DIFFERENT CITIES AND OTHERS TO ACT AS PARTNERS
10 TO TRY AND BE IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I
11 THINK INFORMATION, WE'VE TRIED TO AMPLIFY THAT THROUGH A
12 NUMBER OF MEANS. AND I THINK THAT'S BEEN OKAY. BUT IT HAS BEEN
13 MORE EFFECTIVE IN SOME POPULATIONS THAN IN OTHERS. I THINK
14 WHAT HAS BEEN MOST DIFFICULT IS NOT KNOWING FROM ONE WEEK TO
15 THE NEXT HOW MUCH VACCINE WE ARE GOING TO HAVE AND WHAT TYPE
16 AND WHETHER WE'D HAVE TO CANCEL CLINICS AS WE DID THE FIRST
17 WEEK OR WHETHER WE WOULD BE ABLE TO HOLD THEM AND HOW MUCH
18 VACCINE WE WOULD HAVE FOR EACH. IT'S ALSO BEEN DIFFICULT TO
19 PREDICT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE GOING TO SHOW UP AT EACH
20 SITE. AND EVEN FROM ONE DAY TO THE NEXT AT THE SAME SITE IT'S
21 BEEN QUITE DIFFERENT. SO THOSE HAVE BEEN CHALLENGES. WE HAVE
22 DONE MORE OF THIS THAN ANY OTHER HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN THE
23 COUNTRY IN TERMS OF GETTING OUT AND PROVIDING VACCINES
24 DIRECTLY. WE HAVEN'T DONE AS MUCH MARKETING OR ADS OR OUTREACH
25 AS I THINK WE WANTED TO. AND WE WERE GOING TO DO THAT



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1 GENERALLY. WE WERE ALL SET TO GO. BUT WE DIDN'T PULL THE
2 TRIGGER BECAUSE WE HAD LONG LINES. IN TERMS OF REACHING
3 DIFFERENT GROUPS, I'M DISAPPOINTED THAT WE HAVE NOT DONE -- WE
4 HAVE NOT GOTTEN A HIGHER PERCENTAGE OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN
5 CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH HIGHER RISK CONDITIONS COMING TO
6 THESE VENUES IN THE AREAS WHERE THAT GROUP MAKES UP A
7 SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THE TOTAL. NOW, THAT'S OUR PRELIMINARY
8 ANALYSIS. AND WE WANT TO WORK WITH YOU TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
9 ARE DOING A BETTER JOB OF REACHING THOSE GROUPS THROUGH
10 DIFFERENT APPROACHES. AND WE'VE HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH YOUR
11 OFFICES ABOUT THAT. I DON'T THINK IT'S LACK OF HAVING THE
12 SITES AVAILABLE. I THINK IT IS -- SOME OF THE DATA THAT'S BEEN
13 DEVELOPED FROM SURVEYS SUGGESTS A HIGHER LACK OF WILLINGNESS
14 TO COME FORWARD TO GET FLU VACCINE. AND SOME OF THOSE PATTERNS
15 ARE HISTORICAL AS WELL AS IN THE CURRENT YEAR, BUT I THINK WE
16 HAVE TO DO A BETTER JOB.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND SO AGAIN YOUR OVERALL ASSESSMENT TO
19 DATE?

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21 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I THINK OVERALL ASSESSMENT IS WE'VE
22 DONE A GOOD JOB BUT WE NEED TO LEARN FROM WHAT -- MAKE SURE
23 THAT WE'RE GETTING RELATIVELY EQUAL PARTICIPATION CONSISTENT
24 WITH WILLINGNESS FROM THE DIFFERENT GROUPS.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT WOULD SEEM TO ME, DR. FIELDING, THAT AN
2 ASSESSMENT NEEDS TO BE MADE AS TO WHETHER WE HAVE REACHED A
3 CRISIS POINT OR NOT. AND I MEAN THAT FROM NOT A POLITICAL
4 PERSPECTIVE BUT FROM A PERSPECTIVE OF A VIEW THAT'S DRIVEN BY
5 EPIDEMIOLOGY. CAN YOU GIVE THE BOARD SOME SENSE OF THAT?

6

7 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I'M SORRY, SUPERVISOR, I DIDN'T QUITE
8 HEAR YOU.

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HAVE WE REACHED A CRISIS POINT OR NOT FROM
11 YOUR PERSPECTIVE IN TERMS OF THE THREAT OF H1N1?

12

13 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I DON'T THINK WE'VE REACHED A CRISIS
14 POINT, SUPERVISOR.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DO YOU ANTICIPATE THAT WE ARE HEADED IN
17 THAT DIRECTION?

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19 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I THINK THAT THE WORK THAT'S BEEN DONE
20 BOTH BY US AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR THAT WE'VE TRIED TO FLATTEN
21 OUT A LITTLE BIT THAT PEAK. AND IT'S NEVER POSSIBLE TO REALLY
22 KNOW. WE'VE DONE MODELING. AND WE THINK THAT THAT MAY HAVE
23 AFFECTED IT A LITTLE BIT. I THINK WHAT YOU NORMALLY SEE IN
24 PANDEMICS -- AND THERE'S NOT A LOT OF EXPERIENCE -- IS THAT
25 THERE'S A SIX TO EIGHT-WEEK WAVE. AND I THINK WHAT WE'RE



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1 SEEING NOW IS THE CREST OF THAT. I DON'T THINK IT'S GOING TO
2 REACH ANY FURTHER IN TERMS OF CRISIS OR IN TERMS -- BUT THERE
3 ARE A COUPLE OF ISSUES THAT CONCERN ME. FIRST OF ALL, WE'RE
4 NOT ABLE TO PREDICT VERY WELL WITH FLU IN ANY CASE. SECONDLY,
5 IT IS POSSIBLE THAT EVEN AS THIS AN ABATES, AND I'M NOT SURE
6 THAT WE COULDN'T HAVE A SECOND PEAK THAT WILL ABATE, THAT IT
7 COULDN'T COME BACK. IN A NUMBER OF CASES WITH BIG PANDEMICS,
8 THERE HAVE BEEN SECOND AND THIRD AND FOURTH WAVES. SO GETTING
9 PEOPLE IMMUNIZED REMAINS A VERY HIGH PRIORITY. THIRD,
10 HOSPITALS IN THE WINTER, AS WE APPROACH THE WINTER, TEND TO
11 BECOME VERY CROWDED WITH PEOPLE WITH RESPIRATORY CONDITIONS,
12 OF WHICH FLU IS ONE BUT NOT THE ONLY ONE. SO THIS -- ONE OF
13 THE IRONIC ADVANTAGES OF HAVING THIS EARLY IS THAT WE HAVEN'T
14 HAD AS MANY COMPETING RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS AND SECONDARY
15 INFECTIONS THAT YOU'D NORMALLY SEE AT THIS TIME, BACTERIAL
16 INFECTIONS. SO IT MAY HAVE ACTUALLY HELPED TO EVEN OUT THE
17 FLOW. BUT I THINK IT'S EARLY TO PREDICT. I DON'T THINK THERE'S
18 A REASON FOR CRISIS BUT THERE IS VERY GOOD REASON FOR PEOPLE
19 IN THE HIGH RISK TO COME FORWARD AND BE IMMUNIZED. THE VACCINE
20 IS EFFECTIVE.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DR. FIELDING, I APPRECIATE YOUR
23 ASSESSMENT. I WISH I COULD EMBRACE IT FROM THE VANTAGE POINT
24 OF A FAVORABLE VIEW. I THINK THERE IS A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT
25 MORE THAT WE MUST DO, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF YOUR OWN



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1 ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT THERE IS A SIGNIFICANTLY LOW TURNOUT IN
2 CERTAIN DEMOGRAPHICS, LOWER THAN YOU MIGHT HAVE PROJECTED
3 AND/OR ANTICIPATED. TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, I'D
4 LIKE TO KNOW THAT THERE IS A PROACTIVE RESPONSE TO CORRECTING
5 THAT WHICH THE DEPARTMENT HAS YET TO DO. THAT HASN'T BEEN
6 PACKAGED TO MY SATISFACTION YET. I AM NOT INCLINED TO BE
7 HYPERCRITICAL OF THE DEPARTMENT, BUT I DO WISH TO COMMUNICATE
8 IN THE CLEAREST WAY THAT I POSSIBLY CAN THAT WHAT HAS HAPPENED
9 TO DATE IS NOT ACCEPTABLE. AND I BELIEVE THAT IT CAN BE
10 CORRECTED. I BELIEVE THAT IT SHOULD BE CORRECTED. AND MY
11 OFFICE STANDS READY TO HELP CORRECT THAT SET OF PROBLEMS THAT
12 YOU HAVE IDENTIFIED. WE WERE ON SITE TOGETHER IN ONE INSTANCE.
13 AND THERE IS NO WAY THAT IT IS CONCEIVABLE TO ME WITH PROPER
14 OUTREACH THAT THE NUMBERS WOULD HAVE LOOKED AS THEY DID. I
15 THINK THERE ARE CHALLENGES IN TERMS OF THE LOGISTICS SEPARATE
16 FROM THE DEMOGRAPHICS THAT GO TO SOME OF WHAT THE CHAIRMAN HAS
17 REFERENCED IN TERMS OF THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ISSUES OVER
18 AGAINST SOME OF THE THINGS WE OBSERVED WHEN WE WERE ON SITE
19 THAT DAY. AND I JUST FEEL RATHER STRONGLY THAT THE PRESS OF
20 THE WORK, PERHAPS THE CRUSH OF THE WORK, IS TESTING THE
21 DEPARTMENT'S RESOURCES AND CAPACITY IN A WAY THAT HAS NOT YET
22 BEEN FULLY ARTICULATED, BUT IT IS CERTAINLY PERCEIVED BY THOSE
23 OF US WHO HAVE HIGHER EXPECTATIONS IN TERMS OF PERFORMANCE.
24 MR. CHAIRMAN, I'M PREPARED TO LEAVE IT AT THAT AT THIS POINT.



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1 LET IT BE NOTED THAT I HAVE VERY SUBSTANTIAL CONCERNS THAT I
2 EXPECT WILL BE ADDRESSED IN SHORT ORDER.

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4 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. WE ARE VERY
5 HAPPY AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOUR OFFICE. I'VE
6 ALREADY STARTED THAT PROCESS AND THINK THERE ARE A NUMBER OF
7 THINGS THAT WE CAN DO WITH YOUR ASSISTANCE AND GUIDANCE IN
8 TERMS OF OUTREACH.

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND THE HELP THAT YOU NEED, YOU OUGHT TO
11 BE PROACTIVE ABOUT. BE NOT DISCOURAGED TO SAY WHAT YOU NEED.

12

13 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE WILL BE PROACTIVE.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IF YOU INDICATE A LACK OF TURNOUT, MY
18 PROBLEM WAS THE OTHER WAY. TOO MUCH TURNOUT AND NOT ENOUGH
19 JUICE. YES.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, MR. CHAIRMAN, I THINK BOTH MR. RIDLEY-
22 THOMAS'S COMMENTS AND YOUR LAST COMMENT ARE APPROPRIATE AND
23 I'D LIKE TO ADD, JUST SO MY SILENCE WOULDN'T BE INTERPRETED AS
24 SOMETHING ELSE. YOU KNOW, BECAUSE WE'VE HAD THIS DISCUSSION
25 WITH YOU, DR. FIELDING AND MR. FREEDMAN, THAT ONE OF THE



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1 INEXPLICABLE THINGS THAT HAS TRANSPIRED IN ALL THIS IS THAT
2 THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, HALF OF WHICH IS, AT LEAST HALF OF
3 WHICH HAS A HIGHER PERCENTAGE OF HIGH-RISK DEMOGRAPHIC THAN
4 THE REST OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND THE REST OF THE COUNTY
5 -- HAS HAD ONE SCHEDULED POD, ONE SCHEDULED VACCINATION
6 CENTER. THAT WAS THE FIRST DAY, IN ENCINO. AND UNTIL LAST
7 SATURDAY, THANKS TO THE EFFORTS THAT WERE MADE BY YOUR
8 DEPARTMENT AND NORTHEAST VALLEY HEALTH CORPORATION, WE WERE
9 ABLE TO ADMINISTER ANOTHER 1,000 VACCINES IN SUN VALLEY AT THE
10 SUN VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL CLINIC, WHICH I WILL SAY
11 PARENTHETICALLY WAS EXTREMELY WELL-HANDLED BY THEIR FOLKS AND
12 OUR FOLKS, BUT IT WAS ONLY 1,000 VACCINATIONS. OTHER THAN
13 THOSE TWO, THERE HASN'T BEEN A SINGLE CLINIC THAT WE'VE
14 SPONSORED, POD, FOR THE H1N1 VIRUS VACCINE IN THE ENTIRE SAN
15 FERNANDO VALLEY. WE'VE GONE THROUGH THE LIST OF THE REST OF
16 THE COUNTY TOGETHER, HAVEN'T WE? AND WE'VE IDENTIFIED MULTIPLE
17 PODS IN EVERY OTHER PART OF THE COUNTY. EVERY OTHER PART OF
18 THE COUNTY IS BIG. SO IT'S NOT AS THOUGH THOSE DEPLOYMENTS
19 HAVE ADDRESSED THE PROBLEMS IN THOSE COMMUNITIES. BUT YOU HAVE
20 HAD ESSENTIALLY A BIG GOOSE EGG, A ZERO, WITH ONE OR TWO
21 EXCEPTIONS IN AN AREA OF THE COUNTY THAT HAS A POPULATION OF
22 APPROACHING 1-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE. OF WHICH A SIGNIFICANT PART
23 OF THEM ARE CHILDREN IN THE HIGH-RISK CATEGORY THAT WOULD
24 REQUIRE SOME ATTENTION ON THIS ISSUE. THAT NEEDS TO BE
25 ADDRESSED. THAT NEEDS TO BE -- WE'VE ALREADY TALKED ABOUT IT.



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1 IT NEEDS TO BE CORRECTED QUICKLY AS THE VACCINES BECOME
2 AVAILABLE. BECAUSE WHILE THE REST OF THE COUNTY HAS BEEN MORE
3 ENDOWED, THAT AREA HAS BEEN ENDOWED WITH PRACTICALLY NOTHING.
4 AND YOU'VE GOT SOME CATCHING UP TO DO IN THOSE COMMUNITIES,
5 ESPECIALLY IN THE COMMUNITIES OF THE EAST AND NORTHEAST SAN
6 FERNANDO VALLEY, PANORAMA CITY, VAN NUYS, PACOIMA, SAN
7 FERNANDO, SUN VALLEY, AND THEIR ADJACENT COMMUNITIES. THERE IS
8 ABSOLUTELY NO EXPLANATION TO ME. I'M NOT TRYING TO PUT YOU ON
9 THE SPOT BECAUSE I THINK I'VE ALREADY PUT YOU ON THE SPOT. BUT
10 I JUST WANTED TO BE UP FRONT AND OPEN ABOUT IT SO THAT YOU
11 UNDERSTOOD, ALONG WITH THE OTHER COMMENTS, THAT THIS IS AN
12 ISSUE WHICH YOU NEED TO ADDRESS. AND I'M EXPECTING AND
13 UNDERSTAND THAT YOU WILL ADDRESS IT AS THE VACCINES BECOME
14 AVAILABLE. THE BOTTOM LINE OF ALL THIS IS THAT YOU JUST DON'T
15 HAVE ENOUGH VACCINES. AND THAT'S BEEN -- WE'VE HAD, MR. KNABE,
16 THE SAME PROBLEMS. WE HAVEN'T HAD A DEARTH OF PARTICIPATION.
17 WE'VE HAD AN OVERABUNDANCE OF PARTICIPATION IN MOST PARTS OF
18 THE COUNTY. AND IT'S CERTAINLY IN THE ONE OR TWO THAT WE'VE
19 HAD IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND ALSO ON THE WEST SIDE OF
20 LOS ANGELES, THE HANDFUL THAT THEY'VE HAD THERE AND THE
21 BROADER WEST SIDE, NOT JUST IN MY SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, HAVE
22 BEEN RATHER TUMULTUOUS IN TERMS OF DEMAND. IN FACT, SO MUCH SO
23 THAT WE DID NOT EVEN PROMOTE IT, THE SUN VALLEY ONE, ON OUR
24 WEBSITE OR IN ANY OTHER WAY. AS IT WAS, ON SATURDAY MORNING,
25 THEY HAD TO CUT OFF THE LINE PRETTY EARLY AT 1,000. SO YOU GOT



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1 A LOT TO LEARN FROM A LOT OF ASPECTS OF THIS, BOTH THE
2 LOGISTICS OF MAKING IT HAPPEN AND ALSO THE SELECTION OF WHERE
3 YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE THINGS HAPPEN. AND AS I SAY, YOU'VE GOT
4 SOME CATCHING UP TO DO.

5

6 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** SUPERVISOR, IF I MAY? THERE WERE SITES
7 BEYOND THE BALBOA SITE IN OUR FIRST PUBLISHED SCHEDULE IN THE
8 GRANADA HILLS, MISSION HILLS AREA, AS WELL AS IN THE WOODLAND
9 HILLS AREA. AND OUR CURRENT SCHEDULE REFLECTS SITES IN
10 PANORAMA CITY AS WELL AS IN THE SUNLAND. AND WE KNOW ABOUT THE
11 EAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CORRIDOR, AND IT'S IN OUR FUTURE
12 PLANNING.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, THE EASTERN SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, THE
15 CENTRAL AND EASTERN SAN FERNANDO VALLEY IS WHAT I WAS
16 PARTICULARLY FOCUSED ON. YOU HAD SOME SCHEDULED IN THE FIRST
17 WEEK, BUT THAT WAS CANCELED BECAUSE YOU HAD NO VACCINE.

18

19 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** CORRECT.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT. BUT ONCE THAT WEEK WAS
22 DONE, THERE WAS NOTHING IN THE CENTRAL OR EASTERN SAN FERNANDO
23 VALLEY SCHEDULED UNTIL I THINK THIS WEEK.

24

25 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** UNTIL THIS CURRENT ENVIRONMENT, CORRECT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALMOST A MONTH LATER. ARE YOU GOING TO HAVE
3 VACCINE ON THE 13TH?

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5 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YES. WE WILL HAVE VACCINE. I THINK PART
6 OF THE PROBLEM IS IT TAKES A LOT OF WORK AND FORWARD PLANNING
7 TO SCHEDULE THESE SITES AND EVEN FINDING TIMES WHEN THEY HAVE
8 AVAILABILITIES. I'M NOT MAKING ANY EXCUSES.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU DON'T NEED TO MAKE EXCUSES, BECAUSE I'M
11 NOT FAULTING YOU FOR THAT. THAT'S ONE OF THOSE THINGS THAT
12 HAPPENS. IT WAS OUT OF YOUR CONTROL AND I WOULDN'T HAVE DONE
13 IT ANY OTHER WAY. WHAT BOTHERED ME, HOWEVER, IS THAT EVEN IN
14 YOUR SCHEDULING A MONTH OUT, ASSUMING YOU HAD GOTTEN THE
15 VACCINE ON OCTOBER 15TH OR WHATEVER THE DATE WAS THE MIDDLE OF
16 OCTOBER, ASSUMING YOU HAD GOTTEN IT, YOU HAD TWO SITES IN
17 PANORAMA CITY AND THEN NOTHING IN THE CENTRAL OR EAST VALLEY
18 UNTIL NOVEMBER 17TH, 13TH, WHATEVER, A MONTH LATER. ALMOST A
19 MONTH LATER. SO THERE WAS THIS BIG GAP. NOW THAT'S NOT THE
20 CASE IN ANY OTHER PART OF THE COUNTY. SAN GABRIEL HAD
21 MULTIPLES SCHEDULED ALL THROUGH THIS PERIOD. SOUTH LOS ANGELES
22 HAD MULTIPLES SCHEDULED THROUGHOUT THIS PERIOD. CENTRAL LOS
23 ANGELES, HOLLYWOOD, WESTERN PART OF THE COUNTY HAD STUFF
24 SCHEDULED THROUGHOUT THIS PERIOD. BUT THIS PART OF THE COUNTY,
25 JUST SOMETHING -- SOMEBODY, SOMETHING FELL THROUGH THE CRACKS,



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1 THAT'S ALL. YOU KNOW IT AND I KNOW IT. AND IT'S WATER UNDER
2 THE BRIDGE, BUT IT'S GOT TO BE RECLAIMED WATER NOW WE GOT SOME
3 WORK TO DO IN THAT COMMUNITY. AND IT SHOULD NEVER HAPPEN
4 AGAIN. IT'S ALMOST AS THOUGH IT WAS OUT OF, OFF OF EVERYBODY'S
5 RADAR SCREEN. AND I KNOW THAT'S NOT YOUR INTENT. AND YOU'RE
6 BOTH GOOD PROFESSIONALS. BUT THIS IS A -- IF YOU WANT TO KNOW
7 WHERE I WOULD GIVE YOU A LOWER MARK THAN YOU PROBABLY WOULD
8 GIVE YOURSELF, IT'S ON THAT FRONT. AND I THINK YOU PROBABLY
9 WOULD GRADE YOURSELF HARSHLY ON THAT, AS WELL. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ON THE POINT OF THE
12 DISTRIBUTION OF SITES, WE DID HAVE A CONVERSATION ABOUT THAT.
13 AND PERHAPS IT SHOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE
14 BOARD KNOW MORE INTIMATELY WHERE THINGS MAY, IN FACT, WORK IN
15 THEIR RESPECTIVE DISTRICTS. THEREFORE, WHAT IS ABSENT HERE AND
16 PERHAPS CONSPICUOUSLY SO, IS THE COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE
17 DEPARTMENT AND THE RESPECTIVE DISTRICTS. SO IF IN FACT, AS
18 I'VE SAID BEFORE, THERE WAS CONVERSATION WITH SITE SELECTION,
19 IT MAY HAVE IMPLICATIONS FOR A RANGE OF THINGS: THE MANAGEMENT
20 OF THE ENVIRONMENT, THE TURNOUT AT THE FACILITY, AN EQUITABLE
21 DISTRIBUTION IN A GIVEN REGION, WHETHER IT'S THE SAN FERNANDO
22 VALLEY VERSUS THE SOUTH BAY FOR TWO EXAMPLES. AND SO, MR.
23 CHAIRMAN, I THINK AND FEEL, AS WELL, THERE PROBABLY OUGHT TO
24 BE HEIGHTENED COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND THE
25 BOARD OFFICES SO THAT THE DISTRICT STAFF IN EACH OFFICE CAN



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1 BETTER AND MORE EFFECTIVELY RELATE TO THE DEPARTMENT TOWARD A
2 HIGHER AND MORE APPROPRIATE OUTCOME. THAT'S CERTAINLY WHAT I'M
3 EXPECTING WITH RESPECT TO THE SECOND DISTRICT. AND I WOULD
4 THINK THAT IT WOULD BE APPLICABLE TO THE BALANCE OF THE
5 DISTRICTS, AS WELL. AND IF WE WERE TO DO THAT, I THINK THE
6 SENSE OF OUR BEING IN ALIGNMENT ABOUT THE EVALUATION OF HOW WE
7 ARE DOING SO FAR COULD BE MUCH MORE OF WHAT WE'D LIKE, RATHER
8 THAN THE DISPARITY THAT PERHAPS IS BEING ARTICULATED HERE AND
9 NOW.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, I MEAN I WAS REALLY CAUGHT OFF
12 GUARD IN REDONDO. IT'S JUST INTOLERABLE. ANYTHING ELSE?

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD JUST SAY I THINK THE POINT THAT YOU
15 JUST MADE IS ON TARGET, AND IT'S A POINT THAT WE TALKED ABOUT
16 THE LAST SEVERAL WEEKS. AND I'M SATISFIED THAT THERE IS
17 GREATER COLLABORATION NOW THAN THERE WAS AT THE BEGINNING.
18 PARTLY IT'S MY FAULT. I ASSUMED CERTAIN THINGS AND I LEARNED
19 NOT TO ASSUME. BUT I THINK NOW WE HAVE -- I THINK THE
20 COLLABORATION, BOTH IN TERMS OF SITE SELECTION AND IN TERMS OF
21 THE BROADER COUNTYWIDE DISTRIBUTION NEEDS TO BE -- YOU NEED TO
22 GET A REALITY CHECK FROM SOME OF US WHO ARE IN THE TRENCHES
23 EVERY DAY.

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1 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** SUPERVISORS, IF I MAY, OUR PLANNING PROCESS
2 STARTED FOR THESE SITES ESSENTIALLY IN AUGUST. AND IN AUGUST
3 WE DID NOT KNOW THE VACCINE ENVIRONMENT OTHER THAN A LOT OF
4 VACCINE WOULD BE AVAILABLE BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO THE
5 LOCALITIES IN THE MIDDLE OF OCTOBER. WE ALSO DID NOT KNOW --
6 ACTUALLY WE DID KNOW THAT THE PLANNING SUGGESTED WE NEEDED TO
7 DO TWO SHOTS FOR PEOPLE. AND THAT WAS A MAJOR FACTOR IN TRYING
8 TO PREDICT SOME SCHEDULE OF SITES. NOW, THE UNIVERSE OF SITES
9 THAT WE HAD PLANNED FOR THAT WE HAVE ACTUALLY SHARED WITH YOUR
10 DEPUTIES, THAT I PERSONALLY SHARED WITH YOUR DEPUTIES, CARRIED
11 THROUGH THE END OF DECEMBER. THOSE SITES WERE DERIVED FROM
12 WORK WE'VE DONE WITH THE CITIES ON MASS PROPHYLAXIS,
13 ANTIBIOTIC DISTRIBUTION PLANNING, IF WE HAD AN ANTHRAX ATTACK,
14 WHERE WOULD WE PASS OUT ANTIBIOTICS, SITE PLANNING, TRAFFIC
15 CONTROL, SITES THAT ARE MANAGEABLE. IN ADDITION WE USED SITES
16 WHERE WE TRADITIONALLY HAVE DONE SEASONAL FLU OUTREACH AS THE
17 UNIVERSE OF LOCATIONS, AS OUR AREA HEALTH OFFICES. WE HAVE 700
18 OR SO STAFF THAT ARE DEPLOYED IN AREA HEALTH OFFICES THAT WORK
19 ON THE GROUND WITH COMMUNITY AGENCIES, COMMUNITY GROUPS,
20 CITIES AND SO FORTH. AND THAT BECAME, IN ESSENCE, THE MENU BY
21 WHICH WE WERE MOVING IN THE PLANNING. AND THERE ARE ISSUES OF
22 BOTH SITE AVAILABILITY. THERE'S ISSUES ABOUT SITE QUALITY AND
23 SO FORTH. AND THAT WAS TO A LARGE DEGREE WHAT EXPLAINS THE
24 MENU OF SITES THAT WE HAVE TODAY IN FRONT OF US.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL I APPRECIATE THAT, MR. FREEDMAN, BUT
2 LET ME JUST SIMPLY SAY THE AVAILABILITY ISSUES TO WHICH YOU
3 MAKE REFERENCE WERE EITHER CALLED ON APPROPRIATE SUPPORT AND
4 HELP FROM AN OPTIMAL SCENARIO IN TERMS OF AVAILABILITY, YOU
5 MIGHT FIND THE BUILDING OR THE FACILITY THAT YOU THOUGHT WAS
6 UNAVAILABLE SUDDENLY BECOMES AVAILABLE. FREED.

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8 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** UNDERSTOOD, YEAH.

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT YOU WOULD USE
11 THE RESOURCES AT YOUR DISPOSAL. WITH RESPECT TO THE SECOND
12 DISTRICT, I WANT TO RESTATE THAT WHETHER IT WAS AUGUST OR EVEN
13 BEFORE THAT TIME, YOU OUGHT TO BE IN CONVERSATION WITH THOSE
14 WHO KNOW THAT DISTRICT MOST INTIMATELY. AND AS IT RELATES TO
15 THE DRESS REHEARSALS THAT YOU'VE HAD WITH RESPECT TO THE OTHER
16 ROLLOUTS THAT YOU'VE DONE, THE SITE VISIT WHERE WE WERE
17 TOGETHER IN INGLEWOOD DID CAUSE ME SUBSTANTIAL PAUSE IN TERMS
18 OF THE MISCOMMUNICATION, THE DISCONNECT BETWEEN THE
19 MUNICIPALITY AND THE COUNTY IN TERMS OF EXECUTION. AND I
20 BELIEVE THAT A MUCH BETTER JOB COULD HAVE AND SHOULD HAVE BEEN
21 DONE IN TERMS OF PEOPLE ESSENTIALLY BEING ON THE SAME PAGE.
22 AND THAT WAS CONSPICUOUS BY ITS ABSENCE.

23

24 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** AGREED.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND I DON'T KNOW THE EXTENT TO WHICH THAT
2 REPEATED ITSELF IN OTHER INSTANCES. IF SUCH IS THE CASE, IT
3 POINTS UP A SYSTEMIC OR STRUCTURAL FLAW. AND IT MAY BE A
4 CAPACITY ISSUE. IT MAY BE A RESOURCE ISSUE. BUT WHATEVER IT
5 IS, LET'S ASSUME FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CONVERSATION THINGS
6 GET MORE INTENSE WITH RESPECT TO THE CRISIS, AS IT WERE. I'M
7 VERY CONCERNED AS TO HOW WE RESPOND. IF IN FACT WE HAVEN'T
8 MANAGED THE LOGISTICS WITH A STRIKE TEAM KIND OF CONSCIOUSNESS
9 THAT MOVES FROM ONE PART OF THE COUNTY TO THE NEXT TO MAKE
10 SURE THAT THERE IS A PUNCH LIST THAT IS IRONCLAD IN TERMS OF
11 THE CHECK OFF. I DON'T SENSE THAT SUCH WAS THE CASE, AND IT
12 OUGHT TO BE. BUT IT OUGHT TO BE.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT SHOULD BE, ABSOLUTELY. BUT IT WASN'T.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT
17 THEY SAID THEY'VE DONE THIS IN OTHER INSTANCES WITH
18 ANTICIPATION OF ANTHRAX.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE DIFFERENCE BEING, IN THE OTHER
21 INSTANCES JUST NORMAL, THIS, THE MEDIA HELPED CREATE THE
22 PANIC, OKAY? AND SO IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THEY GET THAT
23 OUTREACH. SO PEOPLE ARE JUST COMING OUT. PEOPLE ARE GOING OUT
24 THERE AT 4:00 IN THE MORNING.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH, BUT MR. CHAIRMAN, I DON'T THINK THAT
2 A LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT OUGHT TO BE IN MANAGEMENT MODE AD
3 HOC DEALING WITH ANY PARTICULAR SITE, WHETHER IT'S IN GLENDALE
4 OR IN INGLEWOOD.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I AM NOT ADVOCATING THAT. WHAT I'M
7 SAYING IS --

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I KNOW YOU AREN'T. BUT I'M TRYING TO SAY
10 IT SHOULD BE A TEAM EFFORT.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT NEEDS TO BE A TEAM EFFORT.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S WHAT I TOLD THEM IN REDONDO.
17 EVERYBODY FROM BEACH CITY'S HEALTH DISTRICT TO THE PUBLIC
18 HEALTH DEPARTMENT, TO THE CITY MANAGER, TO THE CHIEF OF POLICE
19 SHOULD HAVE BEEN IN A ROOM AND SAY "HERE'S WHAT WE'RE GOING TO
20 DO." I MEAN BECAUSE WE HAD A DRIVE-UP SITUATION IN ADDITION TO
21 THE WALK UP. AND THE DRIVE-UP SITUATION WAS JUST CATASTROPHIC
22 AS IT RELATED TO PEOPLE WAITING IN LINES AND GOING TO
23 NEIGHBORHOODS. AND SO THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT. AND PEOPLE ARE
24 CONCERNED. AND SO TO THINK THAT WE'RE JUST GOING TO HAVE A
25 NORMAL TURNOUT IS NOT RIGHT. WE WILL HAVE A BIG TURNOUT EVERY



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1 PLACE WE DO. AND NOW SOME ENTITIES ARE CANCELLING RIGHT NOW
2 UNTIL THEY GET A BETTER HANDLE. SO HOPEFULLY YOUR LEADERSHIP
3 WILL HAVE SOME SORT OF, WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL IT, STRIKE
4 TEAM THAT COORDINATES THIS. AND IT'S ALL LAID OUT, ALL
5 PLANNED. YOU GO OUT AND WALK IT, TOUCH IT, FEEL IT, BEFORE WE
6 HAVE ANOTHER CLINIC.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND THAT WOULD BE PRECISELY MY POINT. AND
9 I DON'T KNOW IF AT THIS PARTICULAR POINT IN TIME, MR.
10 CHAIRMAN, YOU ARE SATISFIED THAT SUCH IS IN PLACE.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I'M NOT SURE THAT IT'S IN PLACE
13 UNTIL I SEE. THE NEXT THING -- I WILL CERTAINLY, ONCE I FIND
14 OUT WHERE THEY'RE LOCATED IN MY DISTRICT, I WILL MAKE SURE I
15 WILL FIND OUT IF EVERYBODY'S BEEN COMMUNICATED WITH.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BEFORE YOU SPEAK, LET ME JUST -- I DO THINK
18 THAT THERE'S ONE THING WE DO NEED TO RECOGNIZE, AND THAT IS
19 THAT THERE ARE 300,000 VACCINES THAT CAME OUR WAY. AND WHAT'S
20 THE NEED? 5.5 MILLION IS I THINK WHAT MY MEMORY SERVES ME
21 CORRECTLY. SO UNDER THE BEST OF CIRCUMSTANCES, WE WERE BEHIND
22 THE EIGHT BALL THROUGH NO FAULT OF OUR OWN. IT'S THE STUFF
23 THAT -- AND I WANT TO PUT THIS IN SOME PERSPECTIVE, BECAUSE I
24 THINK ON THE WHOLE, IT COULD HAVE BEEN A LOT WORSE. AND I
25 THINK WE'RE LUCKY THAT THE DISEASE HASN'T BEEN ANY WORSE.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXACTLY.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAN IT HAS BEEN. AND PEOPLE ARE SURVIVING
5 IT ALMOST AS THOUGH IT WERE AN AVERAGE WINTER FLU. I THINK
6 THEN ALSO, WE HAVE TO RECOGNIZE THAT THIS FLU CAME UP, AS WE
7 TALKED ON SATURDAY, EARLIER THAN MOST FLUES ARISE, PROBABLY A
8 MONTH OR SO EARLIER. AND THAT COMPLICATED THINGS, BOTH FROM
9 THE VACCINE POINT OF VIEW AND THEREFORE FROM OUR PREPAREDNESS
10 POINT OF VIEW. SO I DON'T THINK THAT THE WHOLE THING FALLS ON
11 YOUR SHOULDERS. BUT WHAT WE ARE FOCUSED ON -- AND I DON'T WANT
12 IT TO GET OUT OF PROPORTION IS THE THINGS OVER WHICH WE DO
13 HAVE CONTROL, WE SHOULD GET BETTER CONTROL. I'VE BEEN THERE.
14 WE'VE ALL BEEN THERE IN SITUATIONS WHERE UNANTICIPATED EVENTS
15 TAKE ON A LIFE OF THEIR OWN. AND IT COULD HAVE BEEN FAR MORE
16 COMPLICATED AND FAR MORE DIFFICULT THAN IT HAS BEEN. BUT THERE
17 ARE SOME DIFFICULTIES AND SOME INEQUITIES THAT NEED TO BE
18 ADDRESSED. I'M SATISFIED THAT --

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT I MEAN, THE DIFFERENCE BEING IS THAT
21 YOU DO KNOW. I MEAN YOU KNOW THAT WE'RE NOT GETTING WHAT WE
22 NEED. AND THAT WAS MY CONCERN THAT I EXPRESSED TO YOU. YOU
23 KNEW THAT IN ADVANCE. WE KNEW WHEN WE DID REDONDO BEACH THAT
24 WE WEREN'T GOING TO HAVE ENOUGH VACCINE. THAT'S MY POINT.

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1 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** SUPERVISOR, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF --

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3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LET ME CLARIFY ONE THING, IF I MAY. DR.

4 FIELDING, LET'S MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE ACCURATE DATA. THE

5 NUMBER 5 MILLION. I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S THE TARGET TO WHICH

6 YOU REACH. I THINK YOU MADE IT CLEAR TO ME THAT THAT ISN'T THE

7 NUMBER THAT YOU'RE TRYING TO SATISFY FOR, IS THAT CORRECT?

8

9 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL IF YOU LOOK AT ALL OF THE SIX HIGH

10 RISK GROUPS THAT THE CENTERS OF DISEASE CONTROL HAS

11 ESTABLISHED, THOSE COME TO ROUGHLY 5-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE. WE

12 KNOW THAT NOT EVERYBODY WILL COME FORWARD WITHIN THAT GROUP.

13 THE POLLS -- WE CAN LOOK AT HISTORICAL INFORMATION. WE CAN

14 LOOK AT POLLS. POLLS SUGGESTED THAT ABOUT HALF OF THE PEOPLE

15 ON AVERAGE ARE WILLING TO COME FORWARD. SOME OF THE

16 TRADITIONAL INFORMATION SUGGESTS A SIGNIFICANT SMALLER

17 PERCENTAGE THAN THAT. ON THE OTHER HAND, YOU HAVE A

18 PRESIDENTIAL DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY. YOU HAVE A NUMBER OF

19 OTHER THINGS THAT COULD INCREASE DEMAND. YOU ALSO HAVE A LOT

20 OF VOICES SAYING THIS HAPPENED TOO QUICKLY, IS THE VACCINE

21 SAFE? SO IT'S VERY HARD TO PUT ALL THAT TOGETHER. WE DON'T

22 KNOW, REALLY -- WE KNOW THE OPTIMAL IS 5-1/2 MILLION. BUT HOW

23 MUCH BELOW THAT IS REALISTIC TO EXPECT? I REALLY WOULD NOT

24 HAZARD A GUESS.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT THE DATA THAT YOU SHARED WITH ME IN
2 TERMS OF WHAT YOUR GOAL WOULD BE, HAVE YOU ADJUSTED THAT IN
3 LIGHT OF THE LAST WEEKS, OR TWO WEEKS SINCE WE HAD THAT
4 CONVERSATION? BECAUSE IT WAS HARDLY THAT HIGH.

5

6 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** MAY I? ROUGHLY HALF THE COUNTY'S POPULATION
7 FALLS INTO THE C.D.C. TARGET GROUPS AS DESCRIBED BY DR.
8 FIELDING. WE PRINCIPALLY GEARED, OUR -- THE D.P.H. OUTREACH
9 CLINICS TO SERVE ABOUT A MILLION OF THOSE, OF WHICH WE THOUGHT
10 THAT 50 PERCENT WOULD TAKE UP. SO AROUND 500,000.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** 500,000 WAS THE NUMBER YOU GAVE ME.

13

14 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** BUT THERE IS EXTREME SHORTAGE. AND WE ARE
15 NOT DOING SCREENING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE, OTHER FORMS OF
16 DOCUMENTATION AT OUR SITE.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO, BUT I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THE
19 BOARD KNOWS WHAT YOUR GOAL AND/OR OBJECTIVE WOULD BE IN TERMS
20 OF THE NUMBER THAT YOU ARE REALLY DRIVING TOWARD THAT WOULD
21 SATISFY YOUR PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT THAT YOU'VE DONE A GOOD JOB
22 IN TERMS OF THE COUNTY'S HEALTH AND SAFETY. AND IS THAT A HALF
23 MILLION, ROUGHLY? I MEAN WE'RE NOT TALKING HARD NUMBERS.

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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, I THOUGHT AT THE
2 BEGINNING WE HAD A BETTER SENSE THAN WE DO NOW. BECAUSE OF THE
3 SHORTAGE AND ALL, THE FACT THAT PHARMACIES ARE GOING TO HAVE
4 IT AND THE FACT THAT THIS SLOW VACCINE NOW HAS PERMITTED US TO
5 WORK MORE CLOSELY WITH OUR COMMUNITY CLINIC PARTNERS AND THE
6 LIKE, I'M NOT SURE THAT WHAT WE'RE PERSONALLY DELIVERING, WHAT
7 WE'RE DELIVERING AS A DEPARTMENT, 500,000 IS REASONABLE. I
8 WOULD SAY WE'RE PROBABLY SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 150 AND 200,000
9 GIVEN ALL THE OTHER PARTNERS. SO I THINK THAT'S PROBABLY THE
10 ORDER WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THE BOARD
13 HAVE THAT PERSPECTIVE IN TERMS OF THE ACTUAL NUMBERS. HOW IS
14 THIS QUANTIFIED SO THAT WE ARE NOT SAYING IT'S 5 MILLION OR 2
15 MILLION OR 1 MILLION.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT THE NUMBER IS NOT AS IMPORTANT AS
18 PREPARATION.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I TAKE THAT POINT. BUT THE PREPARATION IS
21 INFORMED BY THE NUMBER, IN PART, BECAUSE IT HAS IMPLICATIONS
22 FOR HOW MUCH MONEY WE SPEND, HOW MANY STAFF HOURS ARE GOING TO
23 BE UTILIZED, ET CETERA, ET CETERA. SO I JUST THINK WE ALL
24 OUGHT TO HAVE THE SAME INFORMATION. AND JONATHAN, YOU WERE
25 GOING TO MAKE A POINT.



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2 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** ONE LAST THING. SUPERVISORS, THE ONE THING
3 THAT DOES AFFECT HOW LONG THE LINE IS AND HOW QUICKLY THE LINE
4 MOVES ARE TWO VACCINES AND SYNCHRONIZING THOSE VACCINES TO THE
5 PEOPLE THAT ARE WITHIN THOSE GROUPS. IT REQUIRES A LEVEL OF
6 SCREENING THAT IS FAR GREATER THAN WE HAD ANTICIPATED OR MANY
7 JURISDICTIONS HAVE ANTICIPATED. AND THAT INFLUENCES NOT ONLY
8 OUR THROUGHPUT BUT IT INFLUENCES THE SITE MANAGEMENT, AS WELL.

9

10 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** IN ADDITION, JUST TO GIVE YOU JUST ONE
11 SENSE HOW THIS ONION GETS PEELED, WE HAVE MULTI-DOSE VIALS
12 WHICH COULD SERVE 10 ADULTS WHEN YOU DRAW THEM UP. BUT THEY
13 COULD ALSO SERVE 20 CHILDREN UNDER AGE 9. SO YOU HAVE TO ALSO
14 START CALCULATING BY HOW MANY CHILDREN AND HOW MANY ADULTS.
15 AND SO IT'S COMPLICATED IN REAL TIME WHEN YOU HAVE PEOPLE
16 WAITING AND ANXIOUS TO BE IMMUNIZED. AND WE'VE TRIED VERY HARD
17 TO IMPROVE THOSE SITUATIONS AND PUT MORE PEOPLE ON THE LINE TO
18 GET THE SCREENING DONE EARLIER AND TO LET PEOPLE KNOW IF THE
19 LINE IS LONG, WHERE WE HAVE TO CUT IT OFF.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COULD I ASK ONE MORE QUESTION? SO WHAT IS
22 THE FIGURE YOU BELIEVE -- WHAT IS THE FIGURE YOU BELIEVE IF WE
23 HAD UNLIMITED VACCINE THAT WOULD -- HOW MANY PEOPLE WOULD TAKE
24 ADVANTAGE OF IT?

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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** COUNTYWIDE?

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

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5 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, OPTIMALLY, IT'S 5-1/2 MILLION. I
6 THINK GIVEN THE POLLS AND THE LIKE, IF ROUGHLY HALF THAT
7 AMOUNT GOT IMMUNIZED, IT WOULD PROBABLY BE IN LINE WITH WHAT
8 AT LEAST PEOPLE SAY THEIR WILLINGNESS IS TO BE IMMUNIZED.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IF YOU BELIEVE THE POLLS, IT WOULD BE 2-
11 3/4 MILLION PEOPLE, 2.75 MILLION PEOPLE.

12

13 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, THAT'S OF THE HIGH RISK. THERE'S
14 ANOTHER 5 MILLION LOWER RISK AND THOSE PEOPLE ARE ALSO
15 RECOMMENDED, BUT THEY'RE RECOMMENDED AFTER THE PRIORITY GROUP
16 HAS BEEN SERVED.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO I GUESS ALL I'M SAYING IS IF YOU HAD
19 UNLIMITED AMOUNT OF VACCINE, AND WITH THE MEDIA FRENZY THAT IS
20 ASSOCIATED WITH THIS DISEASE AND WITH THE PROMOTION THAT WE
21 WOULD DO IF WE TOOK OFF OUR SHACKLES AND WERE NOT AFRAID TO
22 HAVE A REDONDO BEACH KIND OF A SITUATION THAT YOU HAD THERE,
23 AND EVERYBODY KNEW THAT IF THEY COULD GET IT AT KAISER AND
24 THEY COULD GET IT AT THEIR OWN DOCTOR AND ALL OF THE PLACES
25 THAT MOST OF THE INSURED IN OUR POPULATION NORMALLY GET THEIR



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1 FLU SHOTS AND OUR CLIENTS WOULD GET THEM IN OUR SHOP, YOU'RE
2 TALKING ABOUT MILLIONS, SEVERAL MILLION.

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4 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE ARE TALKING ABOUT MILLIONS. AND IT'S
5 LARGELY MEDIA --

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT IT WOULD BE MILLIONS DISTRIBUTED IN A
8 MORE CONVENTIONAL, IN A FAR BROADER WAY THAN JUST FOUR PODS A
9 DAY OR TWO PODS A DAY IN ONE PART OF THE COUNTY OR ANOTHER.

10

11 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** EXACTLY. WHEN WE SET IT UP, WE WERE
12 ONLY LOOKING FOR THOSE WHO DIDN'T HAVE OTHER SOURCES OF CARE.
13 AND THEN THAT WAS WHEN WE WERE TOLD WE'D HAVE ADEQUATE
14 VACCINE. SO WHERE WE LOOKED AT HAVING SITES, DEMOGRAPHICALLY,
15 ALL THAT WAS BASED ON THOSE ASSUMPTIONS. I'M NOT SAYING WE DID
16 IT ALL PERFECTLY, BUT THAT WAS OUR ASSUMPTION. AND WE DIDN'T
17 KNOW UNTIL THE VERY LAST MINUTE THAT WE WOULDN'T HAVE ENOUGH
18 VACCINE. THAT'S WHEN WE HAD TO START CANCELING CLINICS.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOT ONLY YOU WOULDN'T HAVE ENOUGH VACCINE.

21

22 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE IN THE COUNTY.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOT JUST THE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUT
25 ALL DOCTORS IN THE COUNTY, PRIVATE PHYSICIANS.



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2 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NOBODY HAD IT.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NOBODY HAS ENOUGH.

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6 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NOBODY HAD IT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I KNOW. SO THEREIN LIES THE PROBLEM. AND SO
9 YOU HAD A LOT OF PEOPLE COME IN TO ALL OF THESE PODS THAT HAVE
10 DOCTORS WHO CAME TO OUR LOCATION.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXACTLY.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BECAUSE THIS IS THE ONLY PLACE THEY COULD
15 GET THE VACCINE. AND THEN IN THE AREAS, WE HAVE BEEN THROUGH
16 THIS, I WON'T GO THROUGH IT AGAIN. SO ANYWAY, IT ALL GETS BACK
17 TO THE SHORTAGE OF VACCINE. AND THAT -- I DON'T THINK WE WERE
18 ADEQUATELY PREPARED FOR THAT EXTENT OF A SHORTAGE.

19

20 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE WERE NOT. THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE
21 CONTROL WAS GIVING US ESTIMATES FROM THE MANUFACTURERS, AND
22 THEY PROVED NOT TO BE ACCURATE.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ONE ANECDOTE WILL SUFFICE, MR. CHAIR. ONE
25 ANECDOTE WILL SUFFICE. MICHAEL EISNER, THE FORMER CHAIRMAN AND



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1 C.E.O. OF THE DISNEY CORPORATION, FOUND HIMSELF AT THE
2 INGLEWOOD SITE TO RECEIVE HIS VACCINATION OWING TO THE FACT
3 THAT HIS PRIMARY HEALTH PROVIDER DID NOT HAVE A SUPPLY. THIS
4 PUNCTUATES THE POINT RELATED TO PEOPLE FROM VARIOUS PARTS OF
5 THE COUNTY FINDING A LOCATION WHERE THEY CAN GET WHAT THEY
6 NEED EVEN IF THEY HAPPEN NOT TO BE MEMBERS OF THAT PARTICULAR
7 COMMUNITY. SUCH IS THE CASE IN THE ILLUSTRATION THAT I
8 PROVIDED AND IT'S DOCUMENTABLE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I KNOW ARNOLD SIGNED UP FOR IT. ARNOLD,
15 YOU CAN SPEAK TO IT UNDER PUBLIC COMMENTS, NOT HERE. OKAY?
16 ITEM NO. 8. WE HAVE SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SIGNED UP.
17 OSCAR JOHNSON, JOHN -- LET'S SEE THIS IS ITEM 8. OH THIS IS
18 PUBLIC COMMENTS. I WANT ITEM 8. OKAY. ITEM NO. 8. DONALD
19 MANELLI, ROGER FIELDMAN, JOHN MYERS, AND NATALIE NEVINS. ITEM
20 NO. 8. OKAY. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO FIRST, FEEL FREE.
21 WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO FIRST, PROCEED. HI. GO AHEAD.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** I THINK JOHN WILL GO FIRST.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. JUST IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR
2 THE RECORD AND PROCEED. THANK YOU.

3

4 **JOHN MYERS:** GOOD MORNING, I'M JOHN MYERS, REPRESENTING REMOTE
5 AREA MEDICAL VOLUNTEERS. I THANK YOU TO THE BOARD FOR ALLOWING
6 ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE SOME IDEAS ABOUT THE ISSUES OF
7 RECIPROCITY OF LICENSURE BETWEEN THE STATES FOR HEALTHCARE
8 WORKERS TRYING TO HELP THE UNDERSERVED AND THE INDIGENT.
9 THAT'S OUR GOAL AS VOLUNTEERS. A LITTLE BACKGROUND ON THE
10 ORGANIZATION THAT I REPRESENT AND OTHERS HERE REPRESENT.
11 REMOTE AREA MEDICAL VOLUNTEERS IS AN ALL-VOLUNTEER --

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE VERY FAMILIAR WITH THE PROGRAM.
14 YOU DO A GREAT JOB.

15

16 **JOHN MYERS:** ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE STATISTICS IN WHAT WE'VE
17 ACCOMPLISHED?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MAY NOT BE. BUT I AM FAMILIAR WITH WHAT
20 YOU DID OVER AT THE FORUM, WHICH WAS ABSOLUTELY OUTSTANDING.

21

22 **JOHN MYERS:** OKAY, OKAY. A FEW STATISTICS ON THIS AS A GLOBAL
23 VOLUNTEER EFFORT, AND I'M A VOLUNTEER JUST LIKE THE REST OF
24 THE PEOPLE HERE. TOTAL PATIENT ENCOUNTERS THAT WE'VE SERVED
25 OVER OUR HISTORY HAVE BEEN OVER 400,000, WHICH IS CLOSE TO \$40



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1 MILLION WORTH OF CARE. AND TOTAL PARTICIPANTS IN TERMS OF
2 VOLUNTEERS FROM AROUND THE WORLD HAVE BEEN IN EXCESS OF
3 40,000. IN TERMS OF THE EFFORT HERE IN LOS ANGELES, I THINK
4 THERE WERE ABOUT 6,344 PATIENTS REGISTERED FOR 14,561
5 ENCOUNTERS. AND THEY WERE SERVED BY ABOUT 3,827 VOLUNTEERS.
6 AND MOST OF THOSE WERE NONMEDICAL. IN THAT PERIOD OF TIME, WE
7 ISSUED ABOUT, CLOSE TO 2,000 PAIRS OF GLASSES, 2,300 TEETH
8 EXTRACTIONS, 5,400 TEETH SAVED AND ABOUT 8,700 GENERAL MEDICAL
9 VISITS. I WAS THERE FOR A PERIOD OF TIME, AND IT WAS PRETTY
10 OVERWHELMING. IT WAS PRETTY EYE OPENING. I GUESS WE BELIEVE
11 THESE NUMBERS COULD HAVE BEEN A LOT BETTER IF WE COULD HAVE
12 RECRUITED HEALTHCARE WORKERS FROM A WIDER AREA. IT'S TOUGH TO
13 GET A LOT OF VOLUNTEERS WITH AN EFFORT LIKE THIS FOR A
14 PHYSICIAN OR DENTIST TO SIMPLY CLOSE THEIR OFFICE AND SHUT
15 DOWN FOR THE WEEK AND GO OFF AND VOLUNTEER. SO SOMETIMES YOU
16 HAVE TO GRAB VOLUNTEERS FROM A WIDER AREA. AND OF COURSE, THIS
17 BRINGS UP THE NEED AGAIN FOR THE RECIPROCITY OF HEALTHCARE
18 LICENSURES AMONG STATES FOR THAT PURPOSE. IN MANY INSTANCES,
19 WE NEED TO BRING HEALTHCARE WORKERS FROM OUT OF STATE TO FILL
20 IN THE GAP, SO TO SPEAK, BECAUSE WE MAY HAVE A PHYSICIAN OR A
21 DENTIST THAT IS FAMILIAR WITH --

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YOU WANT TO WRAP IT UP?

24

25 **JOHN MYERS:** OH, OKAY.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I MEAN IN ALL FAIRNESS, WE JUST HAD YOUR
3 ORGANIZATION DOWN HERE AND HONORED YOU AND RECOGNIZED YOU.
4 WE'RE VERY FAMILIAR AND VERY SUPPORTIVE AND ABSOLUTELY THE
5 REASON THAT THIS ITEM IS ON THERE. SO IF YOU WANT TO KEEP YOUR
6 COMMENTS WITHIN A FRAMEWORK OF SUPPORTING THIS, BECAUSE WE
7 HAVE STRONG SUPPORT UP HERE BECAUSE WE KNOW THE ADDITIONAL
8 HELP THAT YOU DO NEED AND WOULD BE GOOD FOR YOU TO BE ABLE TO
9 DRAW ON OTHER DOCTORS AND MEDICAL PERSONNEL ON A TEMPORARY
10 BASIS. SO WE ARE SUPPORTIVE OF WHAT YOU DO AND WHAT YOU WERE
11 ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH HERE AND KNOW IT COULD HAVE BEEN GREATER
12 NUMBERS HAD YOU HAD ADDITIONAL MEDICAL PERSONNEL. SO I'M NOT
13 TRYING TO BE ABRUPT.

14

15 **JOHN MYERS:** OH SURE DOES THAT MEAN I'M PREACHING TO THE CHOIR?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES IT IS.

18

19 **JOHN MYERS:** GOOD. OKAY.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

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23 **DONALD MANELLI:** YEAH. I'M DON MANELLI, AND I ORGANIZED THE
24 EVENT HERE IN L.A. AS A VOLUNTEER. THIS WAS THE FIRST LARGE
25 URBAN EVENT THAT RAM HAD EVER DONE. SO IN A LOT OF WAYS WE



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1 WERE ALL ON A LEARNING TRACK WITH THIS. THE LOGISTICS WERE SET
2 UP. WE HAD THE EQUIPMENT ON THE FLOOR AND WE HAD 100 DENTAL
3 CHAIRS ON THE FLOOR. EVERYTHING WAS READY. AND THE ONLY ISSUE
4 REMAINING WAS WHAT WE'RE HERE TODAY TO TALK ABOUT, AND THAT
5 WAS THE LACK OF VOLUNTEERS. WE CONSIDER IT A BIG SUCCESS. WE
6 SAW THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE. WE COULD HAVE SEEN
7 THOUSANDS MORE. THERE WERE SOME DAYS WHEN WE HAD 20, 25
8 DENTISTS AND 70, 75 EMPTY CHAIRS ON THE FLOOR. OTHER DAYS WE
9 WERE TURNING DENTISTS AWAY. BUT WE COULD HAVE FILLED IN THAT
10 BLANK HAD WE GONE OUT OF STATE TO PULL PEOPLE IN. RAM HAS A
11 POOL OF REGULAR VOLUNTEERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY THAT WOULD HAVE
12 RESPONDED TO THIS. AND IT WOULD HAVE AN IMPACT EVEN MORE THAN
13 GIVING US A FULL ATTENDANCE, GIVING US THE ABILITY TO HELP
14 THOUSANDS OF MORE PEOPLE THAN WE HELPED WITHIN THE TIME FRAME
15 AND THE FACILITY OF THE FORUM. THE OTHER ADVANTAGE IS THAT
16 THESE PEOPLE ARE -- A LOT OF THE RAM VOLUNTEERS ARE REGULAR.
17 THEY HAVE BEEN TO EVENTS LIKE THIS BEFORE. SO THEY PROVIDE
18 LEADERSHIP TO THE PEOPLE THAT ARE COMING IN FOR THE FIRST
19 TIME. AND DENTISTS, FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAD HALF-DAY SHIFTS. A
20 DENTIST MIGHT SHOW UP FOR SIX HOURS AND LEAVE, AND WE HAVE
21 ANOTHER DENTIST COMING IN AFTER THAT. SO THERE'S AN
22 ORIENTATION FOR EVERYBODY THAT COMES ON THAT FLOOR. IT'S NOT
23 LIKE PRACTICING IN A HOSPITAL OR IN THEIR OFFICES. SO HAVING
24 PEOPLE THERE WHO ARE EXPERIENCED, WHO HAVE BEEN TO OTHER
25 EVENTS, WOULD BE A HUGE IMPACT FOR US, IN TERMS OF QUALITY AND



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1 CARE AND PRODUCTIVITY. THOSE ARE BIG ADVANTAGES. THE OTHER
2 ADVANTAGE IS THAT THE -- AND I DON'T HAVE THE ACTUAL
3 STATISTIC, BUT IT IS AN ANECDOTAL OBSERVATION THAT RAM HAS
4 MADE MANY TIMES. THE LOCAL VOLUNTEERS ARE MUCH MORE LIKELY TO
5 BE NO SHOWS, FOR WHATEVER REASON, THAN THE OUT OF STATE
6 VOLUNTEERS. IF SOMEBODY'S BOUGHT A PLANE TICKET AND MADE A
7 HOTEL RESERVATION, HE'S GOING TO SHOW UP. AND SO IT'S A MUCH
8 MORE RELIABLE SOURCE OF VOLUNTEERS. THEY'RE ALSO LIKELY TO
9 STAY LONGER. IF THEY'RE GOING TO COME ALL THE WAY OUT FOR AN
10 EVENT LIKE THIS, THEY'RE NOT GOING TO COME FOR A HALF A DAY OR
11 A DAY. AND THE LONGER THEY'RE IN A VENUE LIKE THE FORUM, WHICH
12 IS FOREIGN TO WHAT THEY'RE NORMALLY PRACTICING IN, THE MORE
13 EFFICIENT THEY'RE GOING TO BE. THE BETTER THE CARE IS GOING TO
14 BE. THE BETTER THE PATIENTS THEY'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO SEE.
15 SO IT IS A TREMENDOUS BENEFIT THAT WAY. BUT IT ALL REVOLVES
16 AROUND BEING ABLE TO BRING IN PEOPLE LICENSED IN OTHER STATES
17 TO PRACTICE. AND WHERE WE SAW THE BIGGEST SHORTAGES WAS IN THE
18 DENTAL AREA, ALSO IN THE OPTICAL, THE VISION AREA. AND MY TIME
19 HAS JUST EXPIRED BUT THAT'S BASICALLY THE POINTS I WANTED TO
20 MAKE.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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24 **ROGER FIELDMAN:** I'M ROGER FIELDMAN, PRESIDENT OF THE LOS
25 ANGELES ORAL HEALTH FOUNDATION. I'M ALSO CONTRACTOR WITH



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1 D.H.S. TO OPERATE THE DENTAL CLINICS AT FOUR COMPREHENSIVE
2 HEALTH CENTERS. SO JUST I'LL SPEAK BRIEFLY TO THE NEED. WE'RE
3 OVERWHELMED WITH DENTAL PATIENTS AT THE COMP CENTERS. WE CAN'T
4 -- IF WE MADE APPOINTMENTS AS FAR OUT AS THEY WOULD GO, IT'S
5 POINTLESS TO MAKE THOSE APPOINTMENTS. EVERY DAY WE'RE TURNING
6 AWAY EMERGENCY PATIENTS BECAUSE WE CAN ONLY SEE A CERTAIN
7 AMOUNT. AND THE NEED IS GOING TO GET WORSE BECAUSE OF THE
8 ELIMINATION OF ADULT DENTI-CAL ON JULY 1ST. SO WE'RE ONLY JUST
9 STARTING TO FEEL THE RAMIFICATIONS OF THAT. IT PROBABLY
10 AFFECTED MORE THAN HALF A MILLION PEOPLE. THEY HAVE NOWHERE TO
11 FIND AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE NOW. IN TERMS OF VOLUNTEERS COMING
12 FROM OUT OF STATE, I WAS WONDERING WHETHER THAT WOULD BE A
13 FACTOR. IN TALKING TO STAN BROCK, WHO FOUNDED RAM, HE DOES SAY
14 THAT PEOPLE COME, THEY COME FOR FUN, THEY COME FOR TOURISM,
15 THEY COME FOR A SENSE OF ADVENTURE, THEY COME FOR RELIGIOUS
16 REASONS, ALTRUISTIC REASONS. BUT THERE IS CERTAINLY A LARGE
17 CORE OF PEOPLE WHO WOULD TRAVEL FROM LOCATION TO LOCATION, AND
18 IT WOULD BE A HELP. I PROPOSED THIS TO THE CALIFORNIA DENTAL
19 ASSOCIATION POLICY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL. THEY DISCUSSED IT AT
20 THEIR MEETING LAST MONTH. THE INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE
21 CALIFORNIA DENTAL ASSOCIATION IS GOING TO SUPPORT THIS. THE
22 POLICY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL WILL MEET IN JANUARY AND WE WOULD
23 EXPECT THAT THEY WOULD MOVE TO SUPPORT THIS IN THE
24 LEGISLATURE. ALSO, THE C.D.A.'S INSURANCE COMPANY PROVIDED
25 MALPRACTICE INSURANCE FOR ALL THE VOLUNTEER DENTISTS WHO



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1 DIDN'T HAVE MALPRACTICE INSURANCE. AND THERE'S INDICATIONS
2 THAT THEY'LL DO THAT ON AN ONGOING BASIS FOR VOLUNTEERS TO
3 HELP WITH THE ACCESS PROBLEM. THAT'S IT.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **NATALIE NEVINS:** GOOD MORNING. I THINK WE'RE NOW AFTERNOON. I'M
8 DR. NATALIE NEVINS, I AM THE DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL EDUCATION AT
9 DOWNEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER FOR THE FAMILY MEDICINE
10 RESIDENCY PROGRAM, ALSO PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF AMRIT DAVAA
11 WORLD HEALTH, WHICH IS A NONPROFIT FOR HUMANITARIAN AID. I
12 COORDINATED THE PEDIATRIC CARE FOR MEDICAL AT THE RAM EVENT.
13 AND WE CERTAINLY SAW AN AWFUL LOT OF CHILDREN AS WELL AS THEIR
14 FAMILY MEMBERS AND PARENTS. THE REALITY FOR US AS PHYSICIANS
15 IS I WANT TO ADDRESS A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT THE CONCERNS ARE
16 GOING TO COME BACK TO YOU FROM THE MEDICAL COMMUNITY AND THEN
17 MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE THE ARMAMENTUM TO TAKE CARE OF THE
18 QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS. THE FACT IS, IS THAT PHYSICIANS ARE
19 LICENSED. BOARD CERTIFICATION IS A NATIONAL CERTIFICATION. IT
20 IS NOT A STATE CERTIFICATION. I THINK THAT'S REALLY VERY
21 IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND. AND THAT MEDICAL LICENSURE IS DONE
22 STATE BY STATE, BUT THEY'RE CERTIFIED NATIONALLY. AND THE
23 CONCERNS THAT I KNOW THAT HAVE BROUGHT UP PREVIOUSLY ARE
24 PHYSICIANS CONCERNED ABOUT PHYSICIANS COMING FROM OTHER STATES
25 BEING ABLE TO PRACTICE WITHOUT A STATE LICENSE AND THEREFORE



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1 WANTING TO STAY. THIS IS NOT MEANT FOR LONG-TERM CARE. THIS IS
2 MEANT TO BE TWO TO THREE WEEKS OF VOLUNTEER WORK. IT SHOULD BE
3 STATED THAT THIS IS VOLUNTEER WORK. PHYSICIANS HAVE THEIR OWN
4 MALPRACTICE INSURANCE, SO THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO COVER THAT
5 THEMSELVES. OR IF THERE'S A STATE ORGANIZATION THAT'S WILLING
6 TO COVER THEM IF THEY'RE COMING IN, IF THEY HAPPEN TO WORK FOR
7 ANOTHER STATE ORGANIZATION SO THEY DON'T CARRY THEIR OWN
8 PRIVATE MALPRACTICE INSURANCE. OUR REALITY IS, THE STANDARD OF
9 CARE FROM STATE TO STATE IS NOT SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT, AND
10 IT SHOULDN'T BE IN THE UNITED STATES. AND SO THAT SHOULD NOT
11 BE AN IMPETUS TO STOPPING US FROM BEING ABLE TO DO THIS TYPE
12 OF WORK. CERTAINLY I AM ALSO A MAJOR IN THE UNITED STATES AIR
13 FORCE AND IN A READY RESERVE CURRENTLY AND WAS ACTIVE DUTY AIR
14 FORCE. OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL IS NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE SEPARATE
15 LICENSURE IN EACH STATE THAT THEY PRACTICE. SO AS A PHYSICIAN
16 IN THE MILITARY, I COULD GO FROM MONTANA TO HAWAII, IT MAKES
17 NO DIFFERENCE WHERE I GO BECAUSE THEY RECOGNIZE THE STANDARD
18 OF CARE IS THE SAME. SO MY CONCERN AT THIS POINT IS MAKING
19 SURE THAT ALL WE WANT TO DO IS TAKE CARE OF THE PEOPLE THAT
20 NEED CARE. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE HERE TO DO. IT IS ABOUT SERVICE
21 FOR US AS PHYSICIANS. AND HAVING ALL OF OUR NONPROFIT
22 ORGANIZATIONS BEING ABLE TO COME TOGETHER IN COLLABORATION TO
23 CARE FOR THOSE WHO ARE AT MOST NEED AND AT MOST RISK IN OUR
24 COMMUNITIES, WE SIGNIFICANTLY CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE. AND SO I
25 HOPE THAT YOU'RE ABLE TO SUPPORT THIS AND BE ABLE TO TAKE THE



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1 NAY SAYERS ASIDE AND GET THEM TO UNDERSTAND THAT IT'S USUALLY
2 BASED IN FEAR AND QUITE FRANKLY, GREED THAT WE STOP BEING ABLE
3 TO TAKE CARE OF THE PUBLIC AS IT NEEDS TO BE TAKEN CARE OF.
4 AND THIS CAN BE HANDLED ACROSS ALL OF OUR HEALTHCARE
5 PRACTITIONERS FROM PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, FAMILY NURSE
6 PRACTITIONERS, ALL OF THEM ARE ABLE TO DO THIS FROM STATE TO
7 STATE, WE JUST NEED TO MAKE A CAPABILITY TO HAVE THAT HAPPEN.
8 AND THE LAST THING I'LL COMMENT ON IS THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
9 CURRENTLY UNDER DISASTER RESPONSE SYSTEM DOES HAVE A
10 RECIPROCITY CAPABILITY WITH OTHER STATES. WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO
11 WAIT FOR A DISASTER TO HAPPEN TO BE ABLE TO CARE FOR OUR
12 PUBLIC. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANKS. OKAY. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.
15 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, JUST TO SAY THANK YOU TO
18 THOSE WHO TESTIFIED AND TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEIR SPIRIT OF
19 VOLUNTEERISM AND THEIR PROFESSIONALISM. IT SHOULD BE NOTED
20 THAT WHEN I CHAIRED THE SENATE'S BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS
21 COMMITTEE, THIS IS A MATTER THAT WE GAVE SOME ATTENTION. IT IS
22 NOT WITHOUT PRECEDENT. WE SIMPLY WISH TO MAKE IT MORE
23 MEANINGFUL AND APPLICABLE TO THE NEEDS OF COMMUNITIES SUCH AS
24 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, PARTICULARLY THOSE COMMUNITIES THAT ARE
25 DEFINED AS UNDERSERVED. I BELIEVE THIS CAN BE VERY CAREFULLY



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1 AND NARROWLY CRAFTED AND COME OUT WITH A POSITIVE OUTCOME. AND
2 I'M PLEASED TO TAKE NOTE OF THE POSITIVE SIGNS THAT HAVE BEEN
3 INDICATED BY THE RESPECTED PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS TO DATE.
4 I WOULD HOPE THAT THE ENTIRETY OF THE BOARD WOULD EMBRACE THIS
5 AS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION THAT WOULD COMPLEMENT OUR
6 EFFORTS TO BRING HEALTHCARE TO THOSE WHO MOST DESPERATELY NEED
7 AND DESERVE IT.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, AS I SAID LAST WEEK, COULD WE
10 ALSO LOOK AT EXPLORING THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN TRAINED IN THE
11 MILITARY THAT ARE NOW BEING DISCHARGED WHO COULD ALSO BE
12 INVOLVED IN THE MEDICAL TREATMENT WHICH THEY ARE NOW GIVING
13 OVERSEAS. THEY ARE ACTING IN ALL LEVELS OF MEDICAL SERVICE,
14 THAT THEY ALSO EXPLORE HAVING THEM TAKE THE BENEFIT OF THIS
15 OPPORTUNITY.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I APPRECIATE THAT, MR. ANTONOVICH. THE
18 WORK THAT WE DID WHILE IN THE LEGISLATURE MAKES IT CLEAR THAT
19 THERE'S AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT SET OF STANDARDS THAT APPLY TO
20 THOSE IN THE MILITARY. AND THEY INVOKE THAT WITH A LEVEL OF
21 CONCERN THAT SETS THEM APART FROM WHAT WE ARE SEEKING TO DO
22 HERE. I HAVE NO RESISTANCE TO THE EXPLORATION OF THIS, THAT
23 WHICH YOU POSE, BUT I AM CONFIDENT THAT THIS, IN A MORE
24 NARROWLY CRAFTED WAY, WILL ENSURE ITS SUCCESS. THE MILITARY
25 HAS AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES, CRITERIA AND



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1 THE LIKE THAT REALLY PROTECTS THOSE MEDICAL OFFICERS AND THE
2 LIKE IN A WAY THAT'S A DIFFERENT STANDARD THAN WOULD BE IN
3 CIVILIAN LIFE. AND SO EXPLORATION IS IN ORDER, IT WOULD SEEM
4 TO ME, BUT I WOULD NOT BE SURPRISED IF THE MOTION AS IT MOVED
5 THROUGH THE LEGISLATURE WOULD ULTIMATELY BE BIFURCATED. BUT IN
6 THE SPIRIT OF COOPERATION, I'M GLAD TO ACCEPT THE EXPLORATION
7 OF IT, MR. ANTONOVICH. MR. CHAIRMAN?

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IN OTHER WORDS, YES, HE'S WILLING
10 TO LOOK AT IT. [LAUGHTER.] WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOURS IS A LONG-WINDED RESPONSE TO HIS
13 INQUIRY, MR. CHAIRMAN.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING DOWN.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU WERE IN SPACE. LET ME FIRST ANNOUNCE THAT
20 MY DEPUTY, SUZIE NEMER-NOVAK HAD A LITTLE BABY GIRL, LAUREN
21 ANNE, LAST NIGHT ABOUT MIDNIGHT, 6-POUND, 6.10-POUND BABY
22 GIRL. AND SHE'S DOING WELL. AND WE JUST WISH HER CONTINUED
23 SUCCESS AND LITTLE LAUREN, WELCOME TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY. ON
24 THE ADJOURNMENTS, MR. CHAIRMAN -- ONLY SIX POUNDS 10 OUNCES.
25 EVERYBODY THOUGHT IT WAS GOING TO BE TWINS. I THOUGHT IT WAS



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1 GOING TO BE TWINS. WAS GOING TO BEAT THAT 13-POUND BABY THAT
2 WAS BORN LAST WEEK. BUT WE WERE ALL WRONG. FIRST, I WOULD LIKE
3 TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE FORMER MAYOR OF THE
4 CITY OF SIERRA MADRE, THAT'S ROBERT BRUCE CROW WHO HAD PASSED
5 AWAY. HE ACTUALLY WORKED AS AN ELECTRICAL ENGINEER. HAD A 35-
6 YEAR CAREER AT J.P.L. AND HE MANAGED THE DEEP SPACE NETWORK
7 COMMUNICATIONS SECTION AND HE HELPED PIONEER THE RANGING
8 MACHINE TO TRACK MARINER 5, THE FIRST INTERPLANETARY MISSION
9 TO VENUS, WHICH ALSO HELPED TO CREATE TECHNOLOGY USED IN
10 G.P.S. SYSTEMS TODAY. AND HE SHARES A THIRD PATENT FOR THE
11 PHASE LOCK LOOP TECHNOLOGY USED IN DEEP SPACE COMMUNICATIONS.
12 HE SERVED ON THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE AS A MAYOR AND CITY
13 COUNCIL MEMBER IN THE '80S. AND HE WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN
14 PRESERVING THE MOUNTAINS BEHIND SIERRA MADRE AS THE SIERRA
15 MADRE CONSERVANCY. EARLINE MOUNTJOY, WIFE OF RETIRED
16 CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLYMAN AND STATE SENATOR, RICHARD
17 MOUNTJOY, WHO REPRESENTED THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, AND MOTHER
18 OF FORMER ASSEMBLYMAN DENNIS MOUNTJOY. SHE GRADUATED FROM
19 MONROVIA-ARCADIA HIGH SCHOOL. THEY WERE MARRIED FOR 57 YEARS.
20 THEY ATTENDED SIERRA MADRE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH AND ACTIVE
21 WITH THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL GUILD AND A VOLUNTEER AT THE
22 ARCADIA METHODIST HOSPITAL. A VERY DEAR, CLOSE FRIEND, DAN
23 LOUIE PASSED AWAY. AND HE WAS FOURTH GENERATION FARMER. HE
24 EARNED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN PLANT SCIENCE AT THE U.C.
25 DAVIS AND HIS PHD IN PLANT PHYSIOLOGY FROM U.C.L.A. THESE



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1 DEGREES PREPARED HIM TO SERVE AS THE VICE PRESIDENT AND
2 CHAIRMAN OF THE FAMILY'S BUSINESS, LOUIE PRODUCE COMPANY, FOR
3 OVER 30 YEARS. FOURTH GENERATION FARMER. HE GREW OVER 30
4 DIFFERENT TYPES OF VEGETABLES IN CALIFORNIA AND MEXICO. HE WAS
5 FOUNDER, DIRECTOR OF THE STANDARD BANK IN CHINATOWN. SERVED AS
6 PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES CONVENTION CENTER, PRESIDENT OF
7 LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE FOR THE HANDICAPPED,
8 PRESIDENT OF THE COACHELLA VALLEY FARMER BUREAU AND WAS
9 FOUNDING PRESIDENT IN THE CHINESE AMERICAN MUSEUM IN THE EL
10 PUEBLO. IN LOS ANGELES, HE SERVED AS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE
11 INTERNATIONAL LIONS CLUB FOR THE LAST 30 YEARS. PUBLISHER OF
12 JADE MAGAZINE. AND JUST A WONDERFUL MAN, A GOOD COMMUNITY
13 LEADER. AND HE LEAVES HIS WIFE, ESTHER; AND THEIR FOUR
14 CHILDREN, LINDA, JEFFREY, JOANNE, AND ROBERT. FELIX DUHOVIC,
15 WHO PASSED AWAY EARLIER THIS YEAR, WAS A SPECIAL ADVISER FOR
16 THE CONSULATE OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA. A LEADER IN THE
17 CROATIAN COMMUNITY. QUITE THIS PAST SATURDAY HE WAS HONORED
18 POSTHUMOUSLY FOR HIS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT BY THE CROATIAN
19 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AND THE CROATION NATIONAL FOUNDATION. HE
20 WAS BORN IN CROATIA AND THEN IMMIGRATED HERE IN 1956, SERVED
21 IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND THEN BEGAN A 20-YEAR SUCCESSFUL
22 CAREER WITH GENESCO-KRESS AND COMPANY. AND HE ENDED UP IN THE
23 TOP MANAGEMENT OF KRESS AND COMPANY, THEN RETIRED AND STARTED
24 HIS OWN RETAIL BUSINESS. MARINE LAURA LAMP, LONGTIME RESIDENT
25 OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. JOHN THOMAS ELLISON PASSED AWAY AT THE



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1 AGE OF 20. HE DESIGNED THE 2006 WEST PAC NAVAL TOUR COIN,
2 WHICH HAD OVER 5,000 BRONZE COINS MINTED. AND HE SERVED ON THE
3 U.S.S. ABRAHAM LINCOLN AIRCRAFT CARRIER. ADAM BOUZIANE, BRIGHT
4 STUDENT AT THE COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS. AN ACTOR, PASSIONATE
5 SINGER. PASSED AWAY LEAVING A LOYAL FRIEND AND LOVING SON AND
6 BROTHER. JACK SNYDER, QUITE ACTIVE IN GLENDALE. HE WAS A
7 GRADUATE OF U.S.C., THE AMERICAN GRADUATE SCHOOL OF
8 INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT AFTER SERVING IN THE U.S. AIR FORCE
9 DURING THE KOREAN CONFLICT. HE WAS THE OWNER OF ASSOCIATED
10 REALTY SERVICES IN GLENDALE, EXTREMELY ACTIVE IN THE
11 COMMUNITY. ON THE GLENDALE BOARD OF REALTORS AND MEMBERSHIP
12 WITH THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND ROTARY CLUB AND HELPING WITH
13 ALL THE VARIOUS CHARITIES AND A GREAT COMMUNITY LEADER. LEAVES
14 HIS WIFE OF 55 YEARS, ANN SNYDER, AND TWO DAUGHTERS AND SEVEN
15 GRANDCHILDREN. DOROTHY DRAPER, SHE PASSED AWAY OCTOBER 25TH.
16 QUITE ACTIVE IN THE ATWATER BAPTIST CHURCH, MEMBER OF THE
17 GRANDVIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SINCE 1961. I KNOW SHE WAS
18 ACTIVE WITH THE Y.W.C.A., P.T.A., THE KEYSTONE CLUB AND A JOHN
19 MARSHALL ALUMNI. SHE WAS IN THE CLASS OF 1936, WHICH I THINK
20 WAS THE FIRST CLASS FROM JOHN MARSHALL HIGH SCHOOL AND ACTIVE
21 WITH THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. JEREMY CHARLES NICOLAROLASRA
22 PALLON, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 20. ATTENDED ATTENDED ST.
23 MARY'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY,
24 MARCOS. MEMBER OF THE PARISH VARSITY CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM. LED
25 BASKETBALL AND RECEIVED MANY HONORS FOR HIS ACADEMIC



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1 ACHIEVEMENT. ANNE PAPADAKIS PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 97,
2 GRANDMOTHER OF MY FORMER FIFTH DISTRICT INTERN, PETER
3 PAPADAKIS, WHO NOW SERVES WITH THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND
4 SERVES ON THE QUALITY PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION. ANN WAS A
5 LIFETIME RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO. RETIRED CAPTAIN ROBERT HART OF
6 LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT
7 WAS WITH THE AERO BUREAU. ROD VAN HOOK. THIS WAS A MAN WHOSE
8 VOICE WAS KNOWN BY ALL OVER THE YEARS. HE WORKED FOR K.F.W.B.,
9 .K.M.P.C., K.S.P.N. RADIO. HE WAS THE WINNER OF THE GOLDEN
10 MIKE AWARD, THREE LOS ANGELES PRESS CLUBS AWARD, ASSOCIATED
11 PRESS AWARD FOR BEST SPORTS SEGMENTS. HE COVERED ALL OF THE
12 SPORTING EVENTS, INCLUDING FOUR SUPER BOWLS, THE B.C.S. TITLE
13 GAME, THE WORLD SERIES, U.C.L.A. AND U.S.C. FOOTBALL, AND THE
14 LOS ANGELES LAKERS. DONALD RICHARD JOHNSON, LIFETIME RESIDENT
15 OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, SERVED IN THE AIRBORNE DIVISION OF THE
16 UNITED STATES ARMY, AND WAS A RANCHER FOR GODDE RANCH FOR 22
17 YEARS AND WORKED WITH THE WEST SIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT. AND I
18 WOULD ALSO LIKE THAT THE BOARD ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THOSE MEN
19 AND WOMEN WHO HAVE BEEN SERVING OUR COUNTRY WHO WERE
20 TRAGICALLY KILLED IN A, I WOULD DESCRIBE IT AS A HATE CRIME,
21 TERRORIST CRIME, THAT OCCURRED AT FORT HOOD, TEXAS. ARMY
22 RESERVIST JOHN GAFFANEY FROM SAN DIEGO. HE HAD RETIRED FROM
23 THE ARMY AS A MAJOR, ALREADY WON HIS 20-YEAR SERVICE AWARD IN
24 THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY GOVERNMENT AS A SUPERVISOR IN A PROGRAM
25 THAT HELPS ELDERLY PEOPLE THROUGH ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH



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1 CRISES. HE HAD RETURNED TO THE ARMY. ARMY STAFF SERGEANT
2 JUSTIN DECROW OF INDIANA HAD BEEN IN THE ARMY FOR 13 YEARS
3 WITH A WIFE AND A 13-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER AND A -- HAD DECIDED IT
4 WAS TIME TO BECOME A CIVILIAN. ARMY RESERVIST MICHAEL GRANT
5 CAHILL, A TEXAS, DEDICATED PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT. AND SPECIALIST
6 JASON DEAN HUNT OF OKLAHOMA, SERVED IN THE ARMY AFTER A YEAR,
7 GRADUATING FROM TIPTON HIGH SCHOOL. SERVED FOR 3-1/2 YEARS
8 INCLUDING A TOUR IN IRAQ, WHERE HE HAD CELEBRATED HIS 21ST
9 BIRTHDAY. WHILE THERE, HE HAD RE-ENLISTED. SERGEANT AMY
10 KRUEGER OF WISCONSIN. SHE WAS A COLLEGE STUDENT PREPARING TO
11 BE A SOCIAL WORKER. AND SHE WANTED TO JOIN THE MILITARY IN
12 SEPTEMBER AFTER THE SEPTEMBER 11TH TRAGEDY TERRORIST ATTACK.
13 AND SHE AND HER ROOMMATE WALKED INTO THE ARMY RECRUITING
14 OFFICE WHERE THEY ENLISTED AND SHE HAD BEEN SERVING SINCE THAT
15 TIME. PRIVATE AARON THOMAS NEMELKA, OF UTAH. HE HAD BARELY
16 FINISHED HIS SERVICE TRAINING WHEN HE WAS KILLED BY GUNSHOTS
17 AT THAT FORT HOOD. HE WAS 19 YEARS OLD. HAD BEEN IN THE ARMY
18 FOR JUST OVER A YEAR AND SIGNED UP TO DO ONE OF THE MOST
19 DANGEROUS JOBS IN THE SERVICE, BOMB DIFFUSING. PRIVATE FIRST
20 CLASS MICHAEL PEARSON OF ILLINOIS. TAUGHT HIMSELF TO PLAY THE
21 PIANO AND BECAME A GUITAR PLAYER LONG BEFORE HE JOINED THE
22 ARMY LAST YEAR. AND HE WAS PREPARING TO BE DEPLOYED TO
23 AFGHANISTAN TO BECOME A BOMB DISPOSAL SPECIALIST. FRANCESKA
24 VELEZ, STATIONED IN IRAQ, RETURNED TO CHICAGO TO CELEBRATE HER
25 21ST BIRTHDAY WHERE SHE DISARMED BOMBS. SHE LEARNED SHE WAS



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1 PREGNANT, HER FAMILY SAID, AND ARRANGED FOR MATERNITY LEAVE.
2 P.F.C. KHAM XIONG, FROM MINNESOTA. HIS FAMILY TIES TO MILITARY
3 LIFE SPAN HEMISPHERES. HIS FATHER, CHOR XOING, BATTLED
4 COMMUNIST INSURGENTS IN LAOS DURING THE VIETNAM WAR. AND HIS
5 YOUNGER BROTHER, NELSON, IS A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES
6 MARINE CORPS. LIEUTENANT COLONEL JUANITA WARMAN, OF MARYLAND,
7 A SINGLE MOTHER WHO WORKED HER WAY THROUGH THE UNIVERSITY OF
8 PITTSBURGH, A NURSE. JOINED THE MILITARY, WHERE SHE WORKED AS
9 A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT. SHE WAS BEING DEPLOYED TO IRAQ FOR
10 MEDICAL DUTY AFTER SERVING IN WASHINGTON STATE. MAJOR LIBARDO
11 CARAVEO, VIRGINIA, 52-YEAR-OLD PSYCHOLOGIST PREPARING FOR HIS
12 FIRST DEPLOYMENT TO A COMBAT ZONE. AND CAPTAIN RUSSELL SEAGER
13 OF WISCONSIN, A 51-YEAR-OLD NURSE- PRACTITIONER. AND HE WAS
14 BEING DEPLOYED TO IRAQ. AND SPECIALIST FREDERICK GREENE OF
15 TENNESSEE. HE WAS STATIONED AT FORT HOOD PREPARING ALSO TO BE
16 DEPLOYED OVERSEAS. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MR. CHAIRMAN. IS
17 ANYBODY HERE FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT? THERE WAS A -- OKAY. IF
18 YOU READ THE ARTICLE, THE STATION FIRE IS STILL BURNING. I
19 KNOW THERE WAS PROBLEMS WITH THE U.S. FORESTRY NOT USING OUR
20 AIR SUPPORT TO PUT OUT THE FIRE. BUT I WAS GOING TO ASK THEM
21 IF THERE WAS ANY BAY WE COULD ENCOURAGE THE U.S. FORESTRY
22 SERVICE TO ALLOW A FLYOVER.
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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S ANYONE IN THE
2 BACK OR NOT. THERE WERE HERE EARLIER, BUT I THINK THEY LEFT
3 AFTER SUPERVISOR --

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AGAIN, THAT'S WITH THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
6 CENTER FOR THE REGION.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, I THINK YOU SHOULD -- THAT WOULD BE
9 AN APPROPRIATE QUESTION TO ASK.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** (OFF MIC) OKAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
14 THOMAS?

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, COLLEAGUES, JOHN HENRY
17 HOLLOMAN, LONGTIME SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT, BORN 1939 IN
18 MCCASKILL, ARKANSAS. MR. HOLLOMAN MOVED TO KANSAS CITY,
19 MISSOURI, IN 1943 WITH HIS FAMILY. HE GRADUATED FROM LINCOLN
20 UNIVERSITY IN JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI, AND RELOCATED TO LOS
21 ANGELES IN 1959. HAD A RICH PROFESSIONAL LIFE STARTING AT THE
22 U.S. POST OFFICE, A STINT IN REAL ESTATE FIRM AND EXECUTIVE AT
23 ALLSTATE INSURANCE, REYNOLDS ALUMINUM, AND FINALLY, HOME
24 SAVINGS AND LOAN. ADDITIONALLY, HE WORKED IN PRINT MEDIA AND
25 FOOD SERVICES AND HELD POSITIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS IN A NUMBER



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1 OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. MR. CHAIRMAN, HE WILL BE
2 REMEMBERED FONDLY FOR HIS LOVE OF SPORTS, HIS COMMITMENT TO
3 HARD WORK AND VOLUNTEERISM AND HIS DEDICATION TO HIS FAMILY
4 ABOVE ALL. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, LUCILLE,
5 HIS CHILDREN STEPHANIE AND ERIC, HIS GRANDCHILDREN, TONY, ERIC
6 AND SIMONE. HIS SIBLINGS, FRANK, BARBARA AND DONNELL, TWO
7 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND A HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS. THAT
8 CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNMENTS FOR THE DAY, MR. CHAIRMAN.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE TWO ADJOURNING MOTIONS.
11 FIRST, VERY SAD TO REPORT THAT NICK COUNTER, FORMER PRESIDENT
12 OF THE ALLIANCE OF MOTION PICTURE AND TELEVISION PRODUCERS FOR
13 27 YEARS, WHO SERVED AS THE STUDIOS' CHIEF NEGOTIATOR WITH
14 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY UNIONS PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY AT THE
15 AGE OF 69 AFTER FALLING ILL SEVERAL DAYS EARLIER. DURING HIS
16 TENURE, NICK SUCCESSFULLY OVERSAW HUNDREDS OF LABOR CONTRACTS
17 WITH WRITERS, ACTORS, CRAFTS UNIONS, MUSICIANS AND SCORES OF
18 OTHER PROFESSIONALS. HE WAS BORN IN PHOENIX AND RAISED IN THE
19 DENVER AREA, WORKING AS A YOUNG MAN IN A COLORADO STEEL MILL
20 WHERE HIS FATHER HAD BEGUN AS A SALESMAN AND RISEN TO BECOME A
21 CORPORATE EXECUTIVE. HE WAS ALSO AN AMATEUR BOXER AND A STAR
22 FOOTBALL PLAYER IN HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE WHERE HE EARNED A
23 FULL SCHOLARSHIP TO STUDY ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING BEFORE
24 EVENTUALLY ENROLLING IN STANFORD LAW SCHOOL AND BECOMING A
25 LABOR ATTORNEY IN LOS ANGELES. IN 1982, HE WAS ASKED BY THE



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1 STUDIOS TO ASSUME THE LEADERSHIP OF THE NEWLY FORMED STUDIO
2 ALLIANCE, A JOB HE PLANNED TO DEVOTE ONLY THREE YEARS TO BUT
3 THEN HE WENT ON TO SPEND NEARLY THREE DECADES AT THE JOB. HE
4 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, JACKIE; SON, NICHOLAS; DAUGHTER,
5 SAMANTHA; AND A GRANDSON, JACK. NICK WAS A GOOD FRIEND OF MINE
6 AND GOING BACK MANY YEARS WITH HIM AND PROBABLY THE REST OF
7 YOU KNOW HIM, TOO. I ASK ALL MEMBERS TO JOIN IN ON THAT ONE.
8 CARL BALLANTINE, ACTOR AND COMEDIAN, WHO WAS KNOWN FOR HIS
9 FUMBLING MAGICIAN ACT. MADE APPEARANCES ON MANY TELEVISION
10 SHOWS AND SITCOMS, A CHARACTER ACTOR OVER MANY YEARS INCLUDING
11 PERHAPS HIS BEST KNOWN ROLE AS A SERIES REGULAR IN THE 1960
12 COMEDY SERIES "MCHALE'S NAVY." DIED IN HOLLYWOOD IN HIS
13 HOLLYWOOD HILLS HOME AT THE AGE OF 92. HIS APPEARANCES ON
14 VARIOUS VARIETY SHOWS INCLUDED "THE GARY MOORE SHOW," "ANDY
15 WILLIAMS SHOW," DANNY KAYE, DEAN MARTIN AND "THE HOLLYWOOD
16 PALACE," "THE TONIGHT SHOW," AMONG OTHERS. HE WAS BORN IN
17 CHICAGO. IN ADDITION TO HIS TELEVISION WORK HE APPEARED IN A
18 NUMBER OF FILMS, AMONG THEM "THE SHAKIEST GUN IN THE WEST,"
19 "THE WORLD'S GREATEST LOVER," AND "MR. SATURDAY NIGHT." HIS
20 OFF CAMERA WORKED INCLUDED MANY CARTOONS AND HUNDREDS OF
21 COMMERCIALS. HE IS SURVIVED BY TWO DAUGHTERS, SARATOGA AND
22 MOLLY, AND A SISTER, ESTHER ROBINSON.
23



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PUBLIC COMMENTS? BEFORE I GO TO PUBLIC
2 COMMENTS, I GOING TO CALL ON SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, HE HAS
3 A READ-IN.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THIS IS A JOINT
6 INITIATIVE DESIGNED TO FACILITATE SUPPORT FOR SOME OF THE WORK
7 WE'RE DOING IN THE AREA OF TRANSPORTATION. IT'S NOTED THAT AT
8 THE OCTOBER 22ND BOARD MEETING OF THE METRO, THERE WAS
9 UNANIMOUS SUPPORT FOR ITS LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN, AN
10 AMENDMENT THAT WAS PUT FORWARD BY MYSELF, MR. ANTONOVICH AND
11 MR. FASANA. THE INTENT OF THE MOTION WAS TO ENSURE THAT THE
12 L.R.T.P. PROVIDE REGIONAL RATIONALITY AND EQUITY. ALL OF US
13 KNOW THAT THAT'S IMPORTANT AND ACCOMPLISHED. THE CRENSHAW
14 L.A.X. TRANSIT CORRIDOR TRANSIT PROJECT BUDGET IS CURRENTLY
15 APPROXIMATELY 1.7 BILLION AND METRO HAS CONCLUDED EXTENSIVE
16 OUTREACH DURING THE LAST FEW MONTHS, AND THE COMMUNITY HAS
17 IDENTIFIED SEVERAL CONCERNS REGARDING PUBLIC SAFETY AND
18 COMMUNITY ECONOMIC IMPACTS. IN ORDER TO MITIGATE THESE ISSUES,
19 THE PROJECT BUDGET SHOULD BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE AN ADDITIONAL
20 \$485 MILLION. ADDITIONALLY, THE GOLD LINE FOOTHILL EXTENSION
21 BUDGET IS DEFINED BY STATE LAW AND A.B.2321 AND S.B.1847 AS
22 WELL AS MEASURE "R," AS EXTENDING FROM THE CURRENT TERMINUS IN
23 PASADENA TO THE CITY OF CLAREMONT. AND THAT IS THE COUNTY
24 LINE. AS SUCH, A FUNDING GAP OF \$400 MILLION EXISTS IN THE
25 BUDGET PROJECT. WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE FEDERAL
2 ADVOCACY OFFICE TO WORK WITH THE METRO GOVERNMENT RELATIONS
3 STAFF TO PURSUE AS A FIRST PRIORITY NON-NEW STARTS FEDERAL
4 FUNDING SOURCES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FEDERAL RE-
5 AUTHORIZATION, FEDERAL CLIMATE CHANGE TRANSIT FUNDS, FEDERAL
6 STIMULUS FUNDS AND OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS FOR TRANSPORTATION
7 PROJECTS IN 2009, L.R.T.P., AS AMENDED, TO CLOSE THE FUNDING
8 GAPS ON THE CRENSHAW-L.A.X. TRANSIT CORRIDOR AND THE GOLD LINE
9 FOOTHILL EXTENSION. I PRESENT THIS ON BEHALF OF MR. ANTONOVICH
10 AND MYSELF, MR. CHAIRMAN. NEXT WEEK. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. NOW WE'LL GO TO PUBLIC
13 COMMENTS. OSCAR JOHNSON, JON NAHHAS, EDWARD MERIDA AND HAROLD
14 FULLER WILL BE THE FIRST FOUR SPEAKERS.

15

16 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** YOUR CLOCK IS NOT ON.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S GOING TO BE. RIGHT THERE. READY,
19 GET SET, GO.

20

21 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** I DON'T TRUST YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I KNOW YOU DON'T.

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1 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** MY NAME IS OSCAR. I SPEAK FOR THE OPPRESSED AND
2 SPEAK FOR CULTURE CHANGE. I'D LIKE TO THANK GOD FOR PRESIDENT
3 BARACK OBAMA. THANK GOD FOR HIS WIFE, MRS. MICHELLE OBAMA. FOR
4 ONCE AMERICA IS GOING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. I SEE WHERE
5 PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA, HAS DECLARING WAR ON DRUGS OF THE
6 WORLD. I DON'T KNOW HOW HE DOING IT BUT IT GETTING IT DID.
7 HE'S MAKING THE PRESIDENT OF THOSE COUNTRIES GETTING DRUGS OUT
8 OF THEIR COUNTRIES. WE SEE WHAT BILL CLINTON DID WITH THE WAR
9 ON DRUGS ASKING CONGRESS FOR MONEY, MILLIONS OF DOLLARS BUT TO
10 NO EFFECT. ANYWAY, I ALSO SEE WHERE MISS MICHELLE OBAMA IS
11 INVITING HUNDREDS OF INNER CITY AFRICAN-AMERICAN FEMALES IN
12 WASHINGTON, D.C. SHE HAVE A PROGRAM IN HER DELEGATION TO TEACH
13 THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN FEMALE MOTHERHOOD AND TO TEACH THEM TO
14 COVER THEMSELVES. AND SHE SAYS SHE'S GOING TO DO THAT A YEAR
15 AGO. ALSO HAVING SOME MORE GOOD NEWS. THERE ARE MANY OF US
16 POOR FOLKS ON SOCIAL SECURITY BEEN GETTING OUR SOCIAL SECURITY
17 CHECK. THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION HAVE BEEN SKIMMING
18 US FROM SOME OF OUR MONEY. A FEW OF US HAVE WRITTEN BARACK
19 OBAMA'S OFFICE ABOUT THE SITUATION. HIS OFFICE ANSWERED THE
20 LETTER BACK VERY SHORTLY. IN THE RETURN LETTER, HE SAID TAKE
21 THIS LETTER TO THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AND TELL
22 THEM TO GIVE THEM YOUR MONEY BACK. AND I HAVE SEEN COPIES OF
23 THE CHECK THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION ARE RETURNING
24 PEOPLE THEIR MONEY BACK. WE SHOULD ASK FOR A BETTER
25 GOVERNMENT. WE SHOULD ALWAYS ASK FOR A SAFE GOVERNMENT. WE



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1 SHOULD END GOVERNMENT WASTE. WE SHOULD END CORRUPTION IN
2 GOVERNMENT. WE MUST WORK TOGETHER TO UNITE. UNITY IS THE KEY.
3 DIVIDED WE FALL. UNITE FOR PROGRESS. END ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION.
4 WE NEED PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY NOT GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBILITY.
5 CLEAN UP THE DRUGS ON SKID ROW. END THE GENOCIDE OF THE
6 AFRICAN-AMERICAN PEOPLE. 85 PERCENT OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN
7 HOUSEHOLDS TODAY IS HEADED BY A FEMALE. THAT'S NOT SAYING THAT
8 ONLY 15 PERCENT OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE MARRIED TODAY.
9 WE'RE HAVING TOO MANY CHILDREN OUTSIDE OF MARRIAGE TODAY IN
10 AMERICA. TOO MANY CHILDREN ARE JUST BEING LEFT BEHIND. WE
11 SHOULD ALWAYS HOPE FOR A BETTER GOVERNMENT. WE SHOULD END THE
12 WAR IN IRAQ. WE SHOULD END THE WAR IN AFGHANISTAN. OUR MAYOR
13 VILLARAIGOSA IS RECEIVING TOO MUCH OF FUNDS FOR THE MIDNIGHT
14 MISSION TO BE RAN AS IT IS. THE BLACK AFRICAN-AMERICAN WOMEN
15 AND CHILDREN THAT ARE SLEEPING ON THE CONCRETE, THEY HAVE NO
16 SHELTER, NO ROOF OVER THEIR HEAD. IN THE WINTERTIME IT GET
17 EXCEEDINGLY COLD AND WHEN IT RAINS, RAINY SEASON IT RAINS ON
18 THEM. THEY HAVE NO PLACE TO GO. HE SHOULD BE -- SOMEONE SHOULD
19 BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR ACTION. WE SHOULD END CONSTRUCTION.
20 WE SHOULD END CONSTRUCTION FRAUD. CONSTRUCTION FRAUD IS
21 HOLDING BACK A LOT OF PROGRESS. THANK YOU. MY NAME IS OSCAR
22 JOHNSON.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, OSCAR. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO
25 GO NEXT? JOHN?



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2 **JON NAHHAS:** HI, MY NAME IS JON NAHHAS, I'M WITH THE VOTING

3 COALITION AGAIN. SUPERVISORS, I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU TODAY

4 ABOUT PUBLIC OUTREACH. THE VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE CALIFORNIA

5 COASTAL COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGED ORANGE COUNTY WITH ITS

6 TREMENDOUS PUBLIC OUTREACH. HE STATED THAT HE WOULD LIKE DON

7 KNABE AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO PROVIDE SOME SIMILAR PUBLIC

8 OUTREACH IN MARINA DEL REY. HAVING BEEN BORN AND RAISED IN LOS

9 ANGELES, I FIND THIS A LITTLE EMBARRASSING WHEN WE GO AROUND

10 THE STATE AND WE HEAR HOW BAD OUR PUBLIC OUTREACH IS IN THE

11 LARGEST CITY ON THE WEST COAST. ALMOST EVERY TIME I COME HERE,

12 SOME DEPARTMENT OR DEPARTMENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAVE HAD

13 SOME DIFFICULTIES ASSESSING DEMAND, UNDERSTANDING THE OVERALL

14 ISSUES UNDER OR OVERESTIMATING THE VALUES OF THESE ISSUES. THE

15 CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAS DONE THE RIGHT THING IN PROVIDING

16 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS TO ORGANIZE AND PROVIDE VALUABLE INPUT

17 IN EVERYDAY DECISIONS OF THEIR COMMUNITIES. WE WOULD LIKE A

18 COMMITMENT FROM THIS BOARD THAT THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF

19 LOS ANGELES COUNTY ALSO HAVE THE ABILITY TO HAVE ORGANIZED

20 COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS. ORGANIZED

21 NEIGHBORHOOD OR COMMUNITY MEETINGS WOULD ONLY SERVE TO ENSURE

22 A BETTER PUBLIC PROCESS AND GOVERNMENT BY THE PEOPLE. DURING A

23 RECENT PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING, THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES

24 AND HARBORS AND COUNTY COUNSEL WERE HAVING A SIDEBAR

25 DISCUSSION WHILE THE PLANNING COMMISSIONERS WERE DELIBERATING.



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1 THE MEETING WAS HALTED, A PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING HALTED.
2 COUNTY COUNSEL SAID THAT BEFORE ANY FURTHER DELIBERATIONS
3 COULD TAKE PLACE, HE HAD TO CONVERSE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
4 BEACHES AND HARBORS. THE COMMITMENTS THAT ARE BEING SIGNED BY
5 BEACHES AND HARBORS AND ARE INTERRUPTING THE PUBLIC PROCESS
6 AND THE PLANNING OF MARINA DEL REY. MR. YAROSLAVSKY CAUGHT
7 ONTO IT WITH THE SHORES AND MADE A REFERENCE TO IT IN THIS
8 VERY MEETING. HE SAID "I DON'T WANT YOU, BEACHES AND HARBORS,
9 TO COME IN HERE AND THEN HAVING THE FEELING OF HAVING MY HANDS
10 TIED." SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOUR VALUABLE APPOINTMENT TO
11 THE SMALL CRAFT HARBOR COMMISSION IS RETIRING FROM THE
12 COMMISSION NEXT WEEK. LIKE YOURSELF, MR. LANDINI ASKED
13 QUESTIONS AND QUICKLY GOT TO THE ROOT OF THE ISSUES. WE HAVE
14 BEEN LOOKING FOR POSSIBLE CANDIDATES TO HELP IN THE WAY OF
15 PICKING A NEW COMMISSIONER FROM DISTRICT 3. WE TRUST THAT YOU
16 WILL PUT FORWARD A SIMILAR CANDIDATE THAT HAS THE SAME
17 IMPECCABLE CHARACTER. MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS I HAVE SPOKEN TO
18 BEFORE FROM DISTRICT 2. WE STILL NEED A CANDIDATE FROM
19 DISTRICT 2 ON THE SMALL CRAFT HARBOR. SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU
20 FOR YOUR TIME.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT? I'D ASK ARNOLD SACHS
23 AND BOBBY COOPER TO JOIN US, PLEASE. WHOEVER'S NEXT GO AHEAD.

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1 **GLEN FULLER:** YES, SIR. MY NAME'S GLEN FULLER. I'M DIRECTOR FOR
2 THE -- I'M DIRECTOR FOR THE _____ FEDERATION, INC. I'M HERE
3 TODAY TODAY TO SPEAK TO SUPERVISORS ON THE TROUBLE IN KING-
4 DREW. AS MY ENTITY, I'M HERE TO LET THE COUNTY KNOW THAT WE
5 ARE HERE TO TAKE OVER KING-DREW, RUN IT, DO OUR SERVICE IN THE
6 PUBLIC WELFARE OF ALL THE TROUBLE THAT THE COUNTY BEEN HAVING
7 FOR SO MANY YEARS AND IT'S STILL HAVING AT KING-DREW. WE ARE
8 HERE ESTABLISHED. AND THE NEXT THING I WANT TO SPEAK WITH THE
9 COUNTY ON AN R.F.P. IN 2003 FOR THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN FOSTER
10 CHILDREN THAT THEY ARE DENIED I, WHICH IS MY JOB AS AN
11 EXECUTIVE AND AN INTERNATIONAL OFFICER, TO DEAL WITH MY PEOPLE
12 AND THEY ARE DENYING ME IN 2003 AND I'M HERE TODAY RIGHT NOW
13 WITH THE SUPERVISOR TAKING THEM AND CARING FOR THEM AND
14 BRINGING THEM BACK HOME TO ETHIOPIA, WHICH IS THEIR LAND, AM I
15 ONE OF THE OFFICIALS THAT REPRESENT ETHIOPIA THROUGH HAILE J.
16 SELASSIE, THE FIRST. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SPEAK ON WITH THE
17 SUPERVISORS HERE TODAY.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **GLEN FULLER:** OKAY.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THEN I'D ASK PATRICK O'ROURKE TO
24 JOIN US, PLEASE? OKAY. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO NEXT.

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1 **EDWARD MERIDA:** MY NAME IS EDWARD MERIDA. [INAUDIBLE] THIS IS
2 MY THIRD TIME SPEAKING TO YOU IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS. I'M
3 SPEAKING OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD AND I'M GOING TO DEVIATE FROM
4 WHAT I PLANNED TO SAY FOR A SECOND. FIRST OF ALL, I SAW
5 PROJECT 50 HERE TODAY RECEIVING AN AWARD. I'M ONE OF THE
6 PEOPLE THAT PROJECT 50S PLACED IN HOUSING. I LIVE AT THE
7 CENTER AT THE HOTEL. I WOULD LIKE TO ADD MY CONGRATULATIONS TO
8 WHATEVER IT WAS THEY RECEIVED TODAY. SECOND ISSUE, I'M A
9 RONALD REAGAN REPUBLICAN. THE ONLY TIME I EVER VOTED IN MY
10 LIFE WAS FOR RONALD REAGAN WHEN HE RAN FOR PRESIDENT THE FIRST
11 TIME. I HAVE RECEIVED SOME INFORMATION OCCASIONALLY BEGINNING
12 IN THE 1980S THAT I SHOULD CONTACT SUPERVISOR MICHAEL
13 ANTONOVICH. I AM MENTIONING THIS TODAY BECAUSE I AM AN AUGUST
14 LEO- VIRGO. I SAW YOU PETTING THE CAT TODAY. THEY'RE MY
15 FAVORITE ANIMALS, OKAY? I'D STILL LIKE TO GET IN TOUCH WITH
16 YOU. THIRD POINT. THE TRAGEDY IN FORT HOOD, THIS IS TEMPLE
17 STREET. I WAS BORN AND RAISED IN TEMPLE, TEXAS. MY DAD WAS A
18 CHEF AT SCOTT AND WHITE HOSPITAL. I'VE HEARD IT MENTIONED OVER
19 THE RADIO. I WORKED AT SCOTT AND WHITE ONE SUMMER FOR HIM. HE
20 HIRED ME. LAST SUMMER THAT I WAS IN TEXAS TEMPLE, I WORKED AT
21 FORT HOOD, QUARTER MASTER LAUNDRY CORPS. I'M SORRY TO SEE THE
22 TRAGEDY HAPPEN. NOW TO GET TO THE POINT THAT I'M HERE. I'M
23 BACK HERE TODAY BECAUSE I ORIGINALLY CAME TO SPEAK ABOUT A
24 G.R. GRANT THAT I'M HAVING PROBLEMS GETTING SOME SOLUTIONS TO
25 SOME PROBLEMS. I RECEIVED G.R. FROM THE COUNTY. IN JANUARY OF



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1 THIS YEAR I RECEIVED A STATEMENT SAYING THAT THE COUNTY WAS
2 FILING, TAKING AN ACTION ON MY FOOD STAMPS. I'M TRYING TO MAKE
3 SURE I READ THIS CORRECTLY. I FILED AN APPEAL ON THAT ACTION.
4 I HAVE SINCE BEEN TO TWO HEARINGS, ONE IN JULY AND ONE IN
5 AUGUST. THE JUDGE MADE A DECISION IN MY FAVOR. I PICKED UP A
6 NEW E.B.T. CARD IN AUGUST OF THIS YEAR WITH FOOD STAMPS ON IT.
7 I WAS AWARDED RETROACTIVE BENEFITS FROM FEBRUARY THROUGH
8 AUGUST. THE FOOD STAMPS ARE ON THE CARD. FOOD STAMPS HAVE BEEN
9 PUT ON THERE FOR SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER. AT THIS
10 POINT, I'M STILL OWED \$2,210 IN CASH BENEFITS FROM THE COUNTY.
11 THAT'S THE ISSUE THAT I'M HERE TODAY. I TALKED TO TWO WOMEN AT
12 THE END OF MY STATEMENT BEFORE. THE ONLY PERSON THAT I
13 REMEMBER HER NAME IS MRS. MARY BELL TREJO? OKAY. THEY GAVE ME
14 TELEPHONE NUMBERS. AND I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO CONTACT EITHER
15 ONE OF THEM AFTER GIVING THEM THE INFORMATION. I'M HERE TODAY
16 TO TRY TO GET SOME ADDITIONAL ADVICE ON A SOLUTION, I GUESS?
17 BECAUSE I REALLY DO NEED THE MONEY.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT D.P.S.S. THEN? WE HAVE SOMEONE
20 RIGHT BACK THERE. SHE'S RAISING HER HAND. ALL RIGHT, THANK
21 YOU. NEXT, MR. O'ROURKE, ARE YOU GONE? THANK YOU. BOBBY?

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23 **BOBBY COOPER:** MY NAME IS BOBBY COOPER. YOU SAID O'ROURKE?

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO. I WAS CALLING ANOTHER SPEAKER.



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2 **BOBBY COPPER:** SORRY. I MISUNDERSTOOD. YES, MY NAME IS BOBBY
3 COOPER. I'M HERE TODAY. I WAS HERE, I GUESS A COUPLE OF WEEKS
4 AGO. FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND AND THANK VERY MUCH
5 JEANETTE DREW OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND ALSO A
6 YOUNG LADY BY THE NAME OF JANICE IN THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT. I
7 THINK THEIR SERVICE WAS EXPEDIENT AND JUST GREAT. BEAUTIFUL
8 PEOPLE. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **BOBBY COOPER:** OKAY. I'M HERE TO CONTINUE THIS MATTER WITH
13 REGARDS TO MY MOTHER AND THE SOCIAL WORKER HAVING TO DO WITH
14 THIS ALLEGED FRAUD. I WOULD LIKE TO TELL YOU THAT MY INCOME
15 WAS WHAT MY MOTHER WAS RECEIVING, \$1,323 A MONTH. AND I WAS
16 RECEIVING \$150 A MONTH AFTER THEY HAD CUT MY SOCIAL SECURITY
17 TWICE IN ONE MONTH. NOW I'M RECEIVING \$845 TO LIVE ON. NOW
18 THAT'S A HECK OF A DROP FOR SOME LEGALITIES. MY MOTHER AND I,
19 HAD 27 YEARS IN HER APARTMENT ON A SECTION 8. WE WERE ABLE TO
20 TAKE CARE OF THE CAR, INSURANCE PAYMENTS, EVERYTHING. THEN THE
21 SOCIAL WORKER GOT INVOLVED AND MADE MALICIOUS ALLEGATIONS
22 AGAINST ME. WENT INTO THE MAIL RECEPTACLE. INSTEAD OF DOING IT
23 LEGALLY. THIS SOCIAL WORKER WENT IN THE MAIL RECEPTOR, TOOK
24 OUT THE CHECK THAT WAS ADDRESSED TO ME AND MY MOTHER AFTER I
25 HAD OPENED MY MOTHER HER ACCOUNT AND LOCKED MY DOORS TO MY



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1 HOUSE. I COULDN'T GET IN. I HAD TO BUY CLOTHES IN THE STREET.
2 HYGIENIC IN THE STREET. IT COST ME \$10,000 OF MY MOTHER'S
3 MONEY FROM THE TIME THAT THEY STARTED THESE FIASCOS, THE
4 SOCIAL WORKERS, AND THESE ATTORNEYS, ET CETERA. YOU KNOW, I'M
5 OUT OF MY MOTHER'S MONEY. MY FATHER'S ESTATE AND THEY'RE STILL
6 STEALING FROM US AND I GOT THE CITY EVERYWHERE I MOVE, CITY
7 OFFICIALS THROWING ME OUT OF AN APARTMENT. NOW I'M HERE TO ASK
8 YOU. CAN YOU PLEASE COORDINATE THE CITY AS THEY DO WHEN
9 THEY'RE HARASSING ME AS THEY DID WHEN THEY WERE HARASSING ME.
10 TELL THEM TO LEAVE ME ALONE, YOU KNOW? I HAVE A RIGHT TO HERE
11 AS A HUMAN BEING, AS AN AMERICAN CITIZEN TO LIVE IN PEACE. I'M
12 A TAX-PAYING CITIZEN. I DON'T HAVE A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND. I
13 DON'T HAVE TO GO IN THROUGH ANY PARTICULARS ABOUT WHO I AM OR
14 WHAT I'VE DONE FOR A LIVING, YOU KNOW, I DON'T THINK THAT'S
15 NECESSARY AS A HUMAN BEING, YOU KNOW, TO BE TREATED LIKE A
16 HUMAN BEING, WHICH I HAVEN'T FOR THE PAST 15 YEARS, I'VE BEEN
17 DISCRIMINATED IN HOUSING. I'VE BEEN ASSAULTED. AND NOW I'M IN
18 COURT AFTER 15 YEARS ON THE SAME MATTER. I HAVE REPORTED THESE
19 -- AND FILED CLAIMS WITH COUNTY, WHAT? 1998. THAT'S HOW FAR IT
20 GOES BACK TO IN '63, '93. ALL I HAVE TRIED TO DO IS FOLLOW THE
21 LEGAL LAW OF THE LAND AND RENDER UNTO CEASAR'S THAT IS
22 CEASAR'S. GOD TOLD ME TO DO IT THIS WAY. BUT IT'S RIDICULOUS.
23 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YES, I HAVE. I HAVEN'T TALKED TO ANYBODY
24 ABOUT THIS PROBLEM. I WANT TO TALK WITH AN OFFICIAL TO LET



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1 THEM KNOW THE PARTICULARS OF THE MATTER. I'M NOT HERE TO
2 DISCREDIT THE COUNTY OR TRY TO PUT ANYBODY IN JAIL.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** (OFF MIC) .

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6 **BOBBY COOPER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I LOOK FORWARD.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS?

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10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. I DID
11 WANT TO ADD A FEW COMMENTS REGARDING YOUR DISCUSSION ON THE
12 EPIDEMIC THAT OCCURRED WITH THE H1N1 FLU VACCINATION
13 SITUATION. AND I JUST WOULD USE AN EXAMPLE, THE LAKERS'
14 CHAMPIONSHIP. FORTUNATELY THE CITY OF L.A. HAD THE OPPORTUNITY
15 TO SEE THE CROWD REACTION WHEN THE LAKERS WON, BECAUSE THEY
16 WERE ABLE TO STAFF OVER THE TOP FOR THE MICHAEL JACKSON
17 FUNERAL CEREMONY THAT THEY HELD AT L.A. LIVE, BUT WITHOUT ONE,
18 THEY NEVER WOULD HAVE KNOWN WITHOUT THE OTHER. SO HINDSIGHT IN
19 THAT CASE WAS DEFINITELY AN ADVANTAGE. SO I WAS WONDERING,
20 WOULD A MAILING, WOULD AN ONLINE, WOULD THE COUNTY BE ABLE TO
21 DO SOMETHING WITH THOSE TOOLS, A THIRD LOCATION OR A SECOND
22 LOCATION TO PICK UP A WRISTBAND TYPE THING THAT WAS USED FOR
23 THE MICHAEL JACKSON SCENARIO? I MEAN BECAUSE WHETHER YOU PAY
24 FOR THE SECURITY UP FRONT OR YOU PAY FOR THE SECURITY IN THE
25 BACK, IF YOU'RE STILL GOING TO PAY. AND IF YOU COULD TAKE THE



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1 STEPS TO AVOID THE SITUATION IN REDONDO BEACH, THEY CAME FROM
2 SANTA BARBARA, SO IT'S NOT JUST COUNTYWIDE, IT'S BORDERING
3 COUNTIES. THAT BEING SAID, I'D LIKE TO TALK A LITTLE BIT THIS
4 SUNDAY, THE GRAND OPENING OF THE EAST SIDE EXTENSION OF THE
5 GOLD LINE. CONGRATULATIONS. YOU BUILT IT MORE OR LESS ON
6 BUDGET EXCEPT FOR MAYBE \$100 MILLION FOR ADDITIONAL STUFF LIKE
7 THE GATING AND THE FENCING AND SOME OTHER ODDS AND ENDS. BUT
8 YOU BUILT IT WITHOUT A CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY, UNLIKE THE EXPO
9 LINE WHICH BEFORE THEY PUT THE PEN DOWN, IT DOUBLED IN COST.
10 THE FOOTHILL EXTENSION CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY STILL DON'T KNOW
11 WHAT THE HELL THEY'RE DOING. THE GREAT IDEA TO CHANGE THE BLUE
12 LINE TO THE GOLD LINE TO THE MIDTOWN -- THE DOWNTOWN
13 CONNECTER, WHICH IN FACT SHOULD BE A COMPLETION. THE 710, IF
14 THAT'S EVER BUILT SHOULD BE A CONNECTER, THE GAP FROM SEVENTH
15 AND FIGUEROA TO UNION STATION SHOULD BE KNOWN AS A COMPLETION.
16 WHY? WELL, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED. WE NEVER WILL. AND THE
17 FACT THAT THEY JUST FINISHED DRILLING 70 WELLS OR 70 IMPACTS
18 FOR THE FOUNDATION FOR THE WEST SIDE EXTENSION MAKES THEM 70
19 OUT OF 71 LIKE A 98.59 PERCENT COMPLETION. UNFORTUNATELY, THE
20 FIRST ONE WAS DIGGING IN THE AREA OF THIRD AND FAIRFAX, WHERE
21 FORTUNATELY FOR THE CITY, THEY FOUND SOME SUCKER TO BUY THE
22 PROPERTY AND TURN IT INTO THE GROVE. BUT COULDN'T BUILD A
23 SUBWAY TO THE WEST SIDE BECAUSE OF METHANE GAS.

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU.



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. MORE GAS.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MR. O'ROURKE?

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6 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** THANK YOU. YEAH, I'M GOING TO BE HERE EVERY
7 TUESDAY UNTIL THE END OF THE YEAR AND INTO NEXT YEAR IF NEED
8 BE.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, OKAY, WELCOME.

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12 **PATRICK OROURKE:** ALL RIGHT. WELL BASICALLY IT'S THE SAME OLD
13 THING. PLEASE DON'T LAUGH ANYMORE. I MEAN, IT'S KIND OF LIKE
14 DISCOURAGING. BUT THE WHOLE POINT IS THAT I'M HERE TO GO AHEAD
15 AND CHASTISE THE BOARD FOR NOT ACTING ON THE PART OF THE
16 CONSTITUENTS THAT ARE BEING -- WHOSE CIVIL RIGHTS ARE BEING
17 ABUSED, WHOSE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS TO FAIR AND EQUITABLE
18 HEARINGS ARE NOT BEING ADDRESSED. YOU HAVE PEOPLE COMING IN
19 HERE EVERY WEEK, IT SEEMS LIKE, SPEAKING ON THESE AFFAIRS, AND
20 STILL THE BOARD HAS FAILED TO ACT. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE BOARD
21 HAS STATED OVER AND OVER THAT IT'S NOT THEIR PURPOSE TO
22 OVERSEE D.C.F.S. ACTUALLY YOU AS THE ELECTED OFFICIALS OVERSEE
23 THE COUNTY BUDGET. AND YOU DO OVERSEE D.C.F.S. D.C.F.S. IS A
24 SPECIAL CASE WHERE A LOT OF THEIR CASES ARE BASICALLY
25 NONPUBLIC. AS SUCH, THEY HAVE THE GREAT PROPENSITY TO ABUSE



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1 POWER, TO HIDE PROBLEMS. FOR YEARS NOW, YOU HAVE SEEN WHERE
2 ONE AFTER ANOTHER, CLIENTS HAVE FOR ONE REASON A CHILD HAS
3 BEEN HARMED, MURDERED, INJURED OR WHATEVER, AND D.C.F.S.,
4 INSTEAD OF ADDRESSING THE UNDERLYING ISSUES OF PROCEDURE AND
5 EQUITABLE TREATMENT OF ALL ITS CLIENTS UNDER BASICALLY THE
6 FAIR TREATMENT. THEY DON'T APPLY ALL THE PROCEDURES EQUITABLY
7 TO ALL ITS CLIENTS, SO THEREFORE, A LOT OF THE CLIENTS DON'T
8 RECEIVE A FAIR TRIAL. MANY OF THE JUDGES IN D.C.F.S. ARE THE
9 BOTTOM OF THE BARREL. THEY'RE THE WORST JUDGES. THEY DON'T
10 HAVE ANY CHANCE OF ADVANCEMENT, OF GETTING ANY, GOING ANYWHERE
11 ELSE. IN ORANGE COUNTY, ALL BUT ONE OF THE JUDGES ON THE
12 D.C.F.S. BOARD WERE SEEMED TO BE GETTING KICKBACKS FOR
13 ADOPTIONS BECAUSE OF THE SAME UNEQUITABLE TREATMENT, BECAUSE
14 THERE'S NO OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. I'M ASKING THE BOARD TO SEE
15 THAT THERE BE AN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, THAT D.C.F.S. NOT BE
16 ALLOWED TO POLICE ITSELF. BECAUSE IT'S NOT IN THEIR BEST
17 INTEREST TO POLICE THEMSELVES EQUITABLY. IF THEY'RE MAKING
18 MISTAKES AND THE PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO ADMIT IT, WHY WOULD THEY
19 POLICE THEMSELVES IN AN APPROPRIATE MANNER?

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. WITH THAT, WE WILL
22 ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION. THANK YOU.

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